# **Brief Algorithms Explaination**

This document provides explanations for all the algorithms uploaded on this file, alongside with their complexity for both space and time.

# BFS Algorithm

<u>Description:</u> BFS is a graph traversal algorithm that explores a graph level by level. It starts at a source node and visits all its neighbors before moving to the next level of neighbors. It uses a queue to maintain the order of nodes to be visited. BFS is commonly used to find the shortest path in an unweighted graph.

#### Steps:

- 1. Enqueue the starting node.
- 2. While the queue is not empty:
  - 2.1. Dequeue a node.
  - 2.2 Mark the node as visited.
  - 2.3 Enqueue all unvisited neighbors of the dequeued node.

#### Complexity:

Time Complexity: O(V + E), where V is the number of vertices and E is the number of edges. Space Complexity: O(V), as the queue can hold all vertices in the worst case.

# DFS Algorithm

<u>Description:</u> DFS is a graph traversal algorithm that explores as far as possible along each branch before backtracking. It uses a stack (implicitly through recursion) to maintain the order of nodes to be visited. DFS is commonly used for tasks like detecting cycles, finding connected components, and topological sorting.

#### Steps:

- 1. Mark the starting node as visited.
- 2. For each unvisited neighbor of the current node: Recursively call DFS on the neighbor.

#### Complexity:

Time Complexity: O(V+E).

Space Complexity: O(V) in the worst case (for the recursion stack).

#### Bellman - Ford Algorithm

<u>Description:</u> The Bellman-Ford algorithm finds the shortest paths from a single source vertex to all other vertices in a weighted graph, even if the graph contains negative-weight edges. It can also detect negative-weight cycles.

# Steps:

- 1. Initialize distances to all vertices as infinity, except for the source vertex, which is set to 0.
- 2. Relax all edges V 1 times: For each edge (u, v) with weight w, if dist[u] + w < dist[v], update dist[v] to dist[u] + w.

3. Check for negative-weight cycles: If any edge can still be relaxed after V - 1 iterations, a negative-weight cycle exists.

#### Complexity:

Time Complexity:  $O(V \cdot E)$ . Space Complexity: O(V).

# Borůvka's Algorithm

<u>Description:</u> Borůvka's algorithm is a greedy algorithm for finding a minimum spanning tree (MST) in a connected, weighted graph. It operates by repeatedly selecting the minimum-weight edge connecting distinct components until a single component remains.

#### Steps:

- 1. Initially, each vertex is its own component.
- 2. Repeat until only one component remains:
- 2.1. For each component, find the minimum-weight edge connecting it to another component.
  - 2.2. Add these edges to the MST.
  - 2.3. Merge the connected components.

#### Complexity:

Time Complexity: O(E•logV). Space Complexity: O(V+E)

# Dijkstra's Algorithm

<u>Description:</u> Dijkstra's algorithm finds the shortest paths from a single source vertex to all other vertices in a weighted graph with non-negative edge weights. It uses a priority queue to efficiently select the vertex with the smallest distance.

#### Steps:

- 1. Initialize distances to all vertices as infinity, except for the source vertex, which is set to 0.
  - 2. While there are unvisited vertices:
    - 2.1. Select the unvisited vertex with the smallest distance.
    - 2.2. Mark the vertex as visited.
    - 2.3. For each unvisited neighbor of the selected vertex:
  - 3. If the distance to the neighbor can be shortened, update the distance.

#### Complexity:

Time Complexity: O(E+V•logV) (using a min-heap).

Space Complexity: O(V).

# Iterative Deepening Search (IDS)

<u>Description:</u> IDS is a search algorithm that combines the space efficiency of DFS with the completeness of BFS. It performs a series of depth-limited DFS searches, gradually increasing the depth limit until the goal is found.

#### Steps:

- 1. For increasing depth limits:
  - 1.1. Perform a depth-limited DFS.
  - 1.2. If the goal is found, return the result.

# Complexity:

Time Complexity: O(b<sup>d</sup>), where b is the branching factor and d is the depth of the solution. (Same asymptotic complexity as DFS, but with less memory)

Space Complexity: O(d), where d is the depth limit.

# Kruskal's Algorithm

<u>Description:</u> Kruskal's algorithm is a greedy algorithm for finding a minimum spanning tree (MST) in a connected, weighted graph. It sorts the edges by weight and adds them to the MST if they do not create a cycle.

### Steps:

- 1. Sort all edges in non-decreasing order of weight.
- 2. Initialize an empty MST.
- 3. For each edge (u, v) in the sorted list:
  - 3.1. If adding (u, v) to the MST does not create a cycle, add it.

#### Complexity:

Time Complexity:  $O(E \bullet log E) \mid \mid O(E \bullet log V)$  (sorting dominates). Space Complexity: O(V).