

# Lego Game (Assignment 14)

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## Introduction

A depth-first search (DFS) is an algorithm for traversing a finite graph. DFS visits the child nodes before visiting the sibling nodes; that is, it traverses the depth of any particular path before exploring its breadth. A stack (often the program's call stack via recursion) is generally used when implementing the algorithm.

Topological sorting for Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG) is a linear ordering of vertices such that for every directed edge  $uv$ , vertex  $u$  comes before  $v$  in the ordering. Topological Sorting for a graph is not possible if the graph is not a DAG. For example, a topological sorting of the following graph is 5 4 2 3 1 0.

There can be more than one topological sorting for a graph. For example, another topological sorting of the following graph is 4 5 2 3 1 0. The first vertex in topological sorting is always a vertex with in-degree as 0 (a vertex with no incoming edges).

## Problem statement

Alexander, which is a toddler, has received as a birthday gift a Lego game. However, he was not able to construct the toy Lego, as there are many pieces. Alexander has observed that each piece is numbered with a number starting from 1 to 1000. The instructions of the game state the pieces that need to be assembled before each and every piece. Help Alexander to build his Lego toy by developing an application which determines the correct order in which the piece of Lego need to be assembled. The application should implement two different algorithms to help Alexander.

So, I had to make an orientated acyclic graph and topological sort it. However, I wasn't able to make it sort from 1 to 1000, so I adapted it to sort a part of them. The problem was that I couldn't fix two bugs. First bug was when my graph was generated even( source node == destination node) and the second one was when my graph returned to the beginning node too soon( source[1] - destination[2], destination[2] - source[1]).

## Pseudocode

First, we will use an adjacency matrix for the directed graph representation, being an easier method. And another two adjacency vectors for the source and destination nodes.

We will use functions for each operation required by the application, with integer parameters, which will be called by the main program.

Here are the important functions employed by the program:

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orientations (int oreintation[][], int i, int n)
1.   int source
2.   int destination
3.   srand(time(NULL))
4.   while i <- 1 to n execute
      4.1 source = random generation between 1 and 1000
      4.2 destination = random generation between 1 and 1000
      4.3 while adjacency_source[source] = 1 execute
          4.3.1 source = random generation between 1 and 1000
      4.4 adjacency_source[source] = 1
      4.5 while adjacency_destination[destination] = 1 execute
          4.5.1 destination = random generation between 1 and
                1000
      4.6 adjacency_destination[destination] = 1
      4.7 orientation[source][destination] = 1
      4.8 i++
```

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```
depth_first_search(int source)
1.   int destination
2.   int i
3.   reach[source] = 1
4.   for i <- 1 to 1000 do
      4.1 if orientation[source][i] = 1 and reach[i] = 0 then
          4.1.1 output source <- i
          4.1.2 counter++
          4.1.3 depth_first_search(i)
```

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## Application design

The library contains the header ***functions.h*** which has all the function prototypes to compute the required operations. These are all of them:

—void orientations(int orientation[][], int i , int n)  
—void depth first search(int node)

The source file ***functions.c*** has all the function implementations.

Function depth first search(int node) includes some steps, like:

- 1) We visit the starting node and print it,
- 2) We visit the nearest unvisited neighbor that can be reached and do the same for that one,
- 3) If we exhaust all our options for a node, we return back to the previous one, repeating step 2.

The adjacency matrix is stored as a 2D array called 'orientation'. This array is used by all of our functions. We will use a "source" node and a "destination" one, with the value '0' for unconnected graph and 1 for orientation from source to destination. ***source*** represents the starting node from where we want to begin the traversal of the graph. ***n*** is simply the number of nodes. The function works recursively.

Function Orientations(int orientation[][1001], int i, int n) - works as follows:

- 1) We will random generate the source and the destination node,
- 2) Next we will check the adjancecy matrices of source and destination nodes to see if the random generation was allready generated ,
- 3) After we checked and assigned the random nodes we assign 1 to the orientation matrix which means the conection from the source node to destination node is available and checked .

The final source file, ***main.c*** itself, uses all of the functions from the ***functions.c***.

After calling all the functions, the main function will randomly generate a tropological sort between 1 and 1000 which represents the correct order of the Lego. As for the bugs as mentioned I tried to fix them and wasn't able to.

## Source Code

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//-----functions.h-----

#ifndef FUNCTIONS_H_INCLUDED
#define FUNCTIONS_H_INCLUDED

void orientations ( int orientation[][1001] , int i , int n);
void depth_first_search( int node );

#endif // FUNCTIONS_H_INCLUDED
```

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```
//-----functions.c-----

#include "functions.h"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <time.h>

/**
 * This vector is a representation of the current node and if this node
 * was already visited.
 */
int reach[1001];

/**
 * This variable will be used to counter how many pieces were used in the
 * sort.
 */
int counter = 0;

/**
 * A matrix that retain the orientations between the nodes of the graph.
 */
int orientation[1001][1001];

/**
 * Vector that retain if the source node already appeared in the sort
 */
int adjacency_source[1001];

/**
 * Vector that retain if the destination node already appeared in the
 * sort
 */
int adjacency_destination[1001];

/**
 * Function that reads and makes the graph orientated.
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*/
void orientations( int orientation[][1001] , int i , int n ){

    int source;
    int destination;

    srand(time(NULL));

    while( i <= n ){

        source = rand()%1000 + 1;
        destination = rand()%1000 + 1;

        while( adjacency_source[source] == 1 ) //Randomly generate
            source node if it haven't allready occurred.
            source = rand()%1000 + 1;
        adjacency_source[source] = 1;

        while(adjacency_destination[destination] == 1 )// Randomly
            generate destination node if it haven't allready occurred.
            destination = rand()%1000 + 1;
        adjacency_destination[destination] = 1;

        orientation[source][destination] = 1; // Assigning the
            orietation from the source to node.
        i++;
    }
}

/**
 * This function will do the tropological sort of the graph.
 */
void depth_first_search(int source){

    int destination;
    int i;
    reach[source]=1;

    for(i = 1; i <= 1000; i++)
        if(orientation[source][i] && !reach[i]){

            printf("\n %d->%d",source,i); // Printing the tropological
                sort.
            counter++; // Counting the number of pieces used.
            depth_first_search(i);
        }
}

//-----main.c-----

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#include "functions.h"
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

/**
 * Matrix that was used already in the function orientations and
 * explained.
 */
int orientation[1001][1001];

/**
 * Variable that was used for counting the number of used pieces.
 */
int counter;

/**
 * Main function of my project
 */
int main()
{
    int source;
    int destination;

    orientations(orientation, 1, 1000);
    depth_first_search(rand()%1000+1);

    printf("\n %d ", counter);

    return 0;
}

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## Experiments and results

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First Experiment:  
1000 nodes  
Starting node: 511  
Pieces Used : 676  
Tropological Sort :  
511->506  
506->622  
622->986  
986->562  
562->729  
729->976  
976->685  
685->678  
678->424  
424->353  
353->546  
546->411  
411->75  
75->571  
571->398  
398->612  
612->788  
788->437  
437->130  
130->963  
963->91  
91->115  
115->818  
818->826  
826->136  
136->807  
807->478  
478->652  
652->857  
857->973  
973->553  
553->701  
701->234  
234->863  
863->756  
756->387  
387->53  
53->854  
854->423  
423->727  
727->493  
493->899

899->885  
885->327  
327->737  
737->811  
811->391  
391->11  
11->274  
274->714  
714->375  
375->558  
558->590  
590->797  
797->12  
12->4  
4->734  
734->214  
214->721  
721->650  
650->665  
665->560  
560->994  
994->175  
175->830  
830->408  
408->455  
455->909  
909->592  
592->331  
331->314  
314->535  
535->828  
828->654  
654->853  
853->469  
469->25  
25->956  
956->138  
138->141  
141->207  
207->122  
122->939  
939->877  
877->472  
472->522  
522->577  
577->799  
799->787  
787->540  
540->95  
95->180

180->252  
252->279  
279->266  
266->709  
709->931  
931->428  
428->172  
172->705  
705->232  
232->895  
895->216  
216->468  
468->741  
741->657  
657->176  
176->57  
57->247  
247->218  
218->444  
444->954  
954->121  
121->431  
431->246  
246->90  
90->611  
611->941  
941->840  
840->168  
168->498  
498->969  
969->583  
583->171  
171->948  
948->570  
570->450  
450->621  
621->503  
503->712  
712->849  
849->846  
846->587  
587->98  
98->667  
667->38  
38->415  
415->873  
873->51  
51->964  
964->396  
396->317

317->333  
333->183  
183->674  
674->959  
959->618  
618->221  
221->212  
212->832  
832->866  
866->322  
322->981  
981->740  
740->273  
273->62  
62->458  
458->166  
166->211  
211->526  
526->77  
77->362  
362->257  
257->524  
524->915  
915->512  
512->46  
46->692  
692->835  
835->329  
329->951  
951->888  
888->361  
361->482  
482->624  
624->109  
109->600  
600->249  
249->297  
297->975  
975->842  
842->970  
970->920  
920->263  
263->215  
215->120  
120->949  
949->356  
356->148  
148->702  
702->579  
579->201

201->708  
708->5  
5->716  
716->655  
655->301  
301->283  
283->81  
81->377  
377->3  
3->922  
922->984  
984->957  
957->160  
160->443  
443->449  
449->489  
489->719  
719->344  
344->633  
633->118  
118->623  
623->94  
94->289  
289->784  
784->372  
372->608  
608->287  
287->241  
241->802  
802->230  
230->378  
378->881  
881->494  
494->615  
615->549  
549->161  
161->298  
298->271  
271->812  
812->629  
629->995  
995->52  
52->547  
547->192  
192->661  
661->892  
892->193  
193->574  
574->809  
809->154

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958->591  
591->236  
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731->328  
328->613  
613->658  
658->36  
36->924  
924->41  
41->258  
258->580  
580->805  
805->593  
593->61  
61->785  
785->54  
54->531  
531->996  
996->806  
806->564  
564->823  
823->47  
47->770  
770->744  
744->324  
324->859  
859->345  
345->649  
649->780  
780->673  
673->746  
746->280  
280->101  
101->476  
476->500  
500->227  
227->107  
107->240  
240->764  
764->332  
332->217  
217->244  
244->461  
461->371  
371->906  
906->79

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738->277  
277->89  
89->599  
599->833  
833->142  
142->750  
750->769  
769->484  
484->433  
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186->988  
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474->262  
262->893  
893->700  
700->720  
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627->771  
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792->291  
291->872  
872->261  
261->516  
516->426  
426->908  
908->856

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992->960  
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901->589  
589->275  
275->735  
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595->97  
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358->439  
439->33  
33->602  
602->363  
363->430  
430->816  
816->878  
878->687  
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225->30



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894->414  
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15->903  
903->110  
110->397  
397->918  
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126->725  
725->779  
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366->285  
285->251  
251->303  
303->105  
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617->302  
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265->163  
163->223  
223->365  
365->402  
402->473  
473->497  
497->264  
264->631  
631->640  
640->441  
441->335  
335->421  
421->972  
972->281

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488->699  
699->730  
730->480  
480->325  
325->336  
336->886  
886->63  
63->147  
147->706  
706->319  
319->316  
316->862  
862->998  
998->278  
278->775  
775->917  
917->672  
672->348  
348->323  
323->713  
713->642  
642->486  
486->991  
991->103  
103->808  
808->858  
858->748  
748->288  
288->87  
87->125  
125->179  
179->146  
146->465

2. 10 nodes

The tropological sort is :

7->2

2->4

4->5

5->8

The number of pieces used : 4

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## Conclusions

Personally, It was a challenging assignment for my programming skills. I tried hard to complete the tasks and I was a little dissapointed that I couldn't make the program work as it should have. However, I developed a software which I am proud of, I worked hard and I tried my best and I think these kind of tasks are a great choice to assign to students. It was a pleasure to take part in such assignment.

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