ALGO-101

Week 5 - Graphs and Trees

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Topics

Topics covered at week 5:

- Graphs
 - DFS and BFS
 - Topological Sort
- Trees
 - Tree Traversals
 - Binary Search Tree

Graphs, Definitions

- **Node** is a data element of a graph. Also called **vertex**.
- **Edge** is a line that connects two nodes.
 - Shown as e = (v1, v2).
 - In this case, edge e is incident to nodes v1 and v2.
 - Can be weighted, if so they are called **weighted edge**.
 - If graph is directed, they are called arc.
- Adjacent nodes are connected by an edge.
- **Self-loop** is an edge that connects a node to itself.
- Two nodes can be connected by more than one edges, these edges are called parallel edges.
- A **plain graph** does not contain any self-loops or parallel edges. If so, that graph is called **multigraph**.

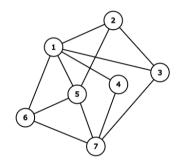


Figure: A plain graph example

Graphs, Examples

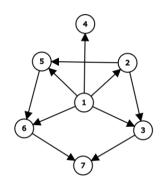


Figure: Directed graph example

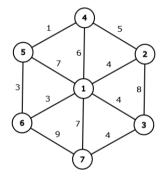


Figure: Weighted graph example

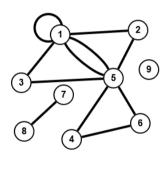


Figure: Multigraph example

Paths, Walks, Trails, Circuits, Cycles

- Walk is a sequence of nodes and edges in a graph.
- **Trail** is a walk without visiting the same edge.
- Circuit is a trail that has the same node at the start and end.
- Path is a walk without visiting same node.
- **Cycle** is a circuit without visiting same node.
- Spanning trail covers all edges.
- **Spanning cycle** covers all nodes.
- **Euler graphs** contains closed spanning trail.
- Hamilton graphs contains a closed spanning path.
 - ref: inzva, 2018

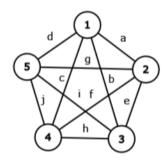


Figure: Find paths, walks, trails, circuits, cycles

Graphs, Definitions Cont.

- **Degree** of a node means number of incident edges.
 - $d_1 = 6, d_2 = 2 \dots$
 - In-degree and out-degree for weighted graphs.
- **Connected graphs** have a path between every pair of nodes.
- Disconnected graphs can be divided into connected components.
 - **1**. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6 **7**. 8

- **Distance** between nodes is the length/weight of shortest path between those nodes.
- Largest distance in graph is called **diameter** of graph.

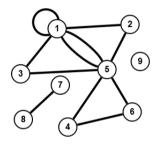


Figure: Disconnected graph example

Special Graphs

- Completely connected graphs have an edge between every pair of nodes.
 - Number of nodes: n
 - \blacksquare Special name K_n
 - Number of edges: $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$
- **Tree** is a special type of graph.
 - Undirected,
 - Connected,
 - No cycles, exactly one path between every pair of nodes,
 - If number of nodes is n, number of edges are (n 1).
- **Bipartite graph** is a graph whose vertices can be divided into two disjoint and independent sets.
 - ref: Uyar et al., 2016
- All nodes of a **regular graph** have the same degree.
 - n-regular: All nodes have degree n.

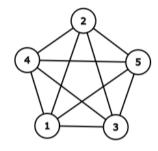
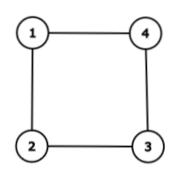


Figure: Completely connected graph example, K_5

Special Graphs, Examples



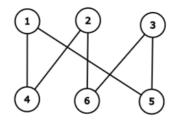


Figure: Bipartite graph example

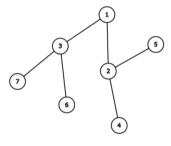


Figure: Tree example

Figure: 2-regular graph example

Graph Representation, Adjacency Matrix

Matrix Representation

- Store Boolean, adjacent or not?
- Store integer, weight.

```
vector < vector < bool >> adjacency_matrix = {{}},
     {false, true, false, true},
     {true, false, true, false},
     {false, true, false, true},
     {true, false, true, false}};
6 // You can determine a distinct value for
     unconnected
 vector < vector < int >> adjacency_matrix_w = {{}},
     \{-1, 2, -1, 8\}.
8
     \{2, -1, 4, -1\},\
    \{-1, 4, -1, 6\},\
     {8. -1. 6. -1}}:
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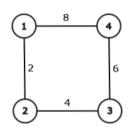


Figure: The graph represented in the code.

Graph Representation, Adjacency List

Matrix Representation

- Store adjacent nodes' numbers.
- Store pair<int, int>, weight.

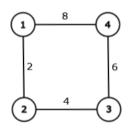


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Graph Exploration Methods

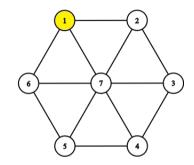
- Two ways to explore a graph, **BFS** and **DFS**.
- Both do the same task using different methods.
- Requires a starting node, a hash map and adequate data structure (queue or stack).
- BFS (Breadth First Search): Explore using a queue.
- DFS (Depth First Search): Explore using a stack.
- Both have time complexity O(V + E) and space complexity O(V).
 - V: number of nodes, E: number of edges.

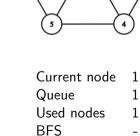
BFS (Breadth First Search)

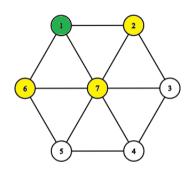
- From a starting node, explore all nodes level by level.
- First explore nodes one step away, then two step away...
- This logic implies an usage of a queue.

Its algorithm is basically:

- 1. Push starting node to queue and mark it as used.
- 2. Take node **V** at the front of the queue. If the queue is empty, terminate.
- 3. Push the unvisited nodes adjacent to \mathbf{V} into the queue and mark them as used.
- 4. Write down **V** and pop it from the queue.
- 5. Jump to step 2.

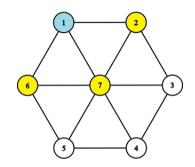


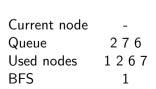


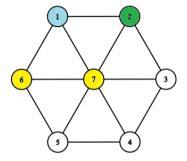


Current node Queue 1
Used nodes 1
BFS -

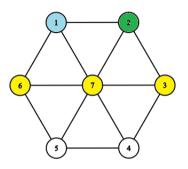
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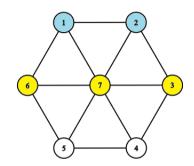


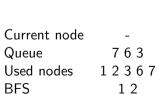


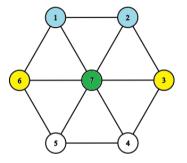
Current node	2
Queue	276
Used nodes	1 2 6 7
BFS	1



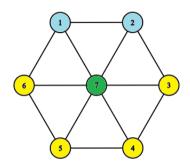
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Queue	2763
Used nodes	12367
BFS	1



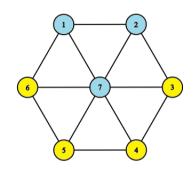


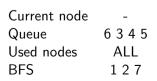


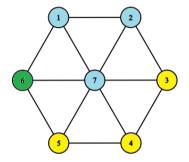
Current node	7
Queue	763
Used nodes	12367
BFS	1 2

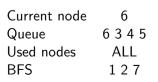


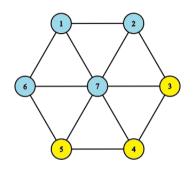
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Queue	76345
Used nodes	ALL
BFS	1 2



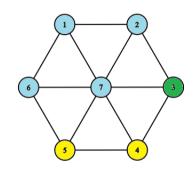


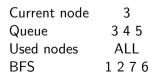


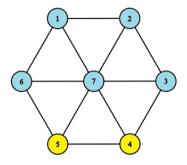




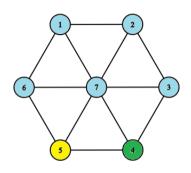
Current node Queue 3 4 5
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BFS 1 2 7 6



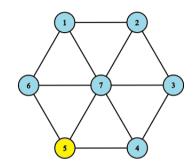


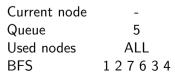


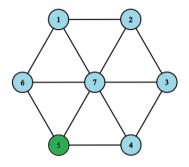
Current node Queue 4 5
Used nodes ALL
BFS 1 2 7 6 3

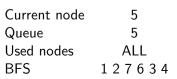


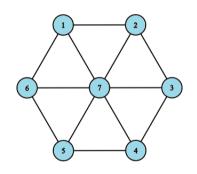
Current node 4
Queue 45
Used nodes ALL
BFS 1 2 7 6 3











Current node Queue Used nodes ALL

BFS complete: 1 2 7 6 3 4 5 November 2022

BFS Code, Declerations

```
1 #include <queue>
2 #include <iostream>
3 #include <vector>
4 #include <unordered_map >
5 using namespace std;
7 int main()
8 {
       vector < vector < int >> adjacency_list = {
Q
           {},
10
           {2, 7, 6},
11
           \{3, 7, 1\},\
12
           \{4, 7, 2\},\
13
           {5, 7, 3},
14
           {6, 7, 4},
15
           \{1, 7, 5\},\
16
           \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}\};
17
       unordered_map < int, bool > visited;
18
       queue < int > bfs;
```

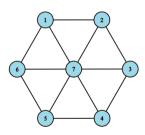


Figure: The graph used in the code

BFS Code, Operation

```
bfs.push(1);
       visited[1] = true;
2
       while (!bfs.empty())
           int current_node = bfs.front();
5
           for (int x : adjacency_list[current_node])
                if (!visited[x])
9
                    bfs.push(x);
10
                    visited[x] = true;
11
12
13
           bfs.pop();
14
           cout << current_node << " ";</pre>
15
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       cout << endl;</pre>
17
       return 0:
18
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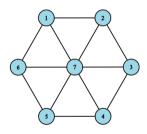


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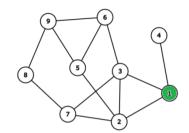
```
1
      unordered_map <int, bool > visited;
      queue < pair < int , int >> bfs; // First : node
2
      bfs.push(make_pair(1, 1)); // Second: level
      visited[1] = true;
      while (!bfs.empty())
5
           int current_node = bfs.front().first;
           int current_level = bfs.front().second;
8
           for (int x : adjacency_list[current_node])
Q
10
               if (!visited[x])
11
12
                   bfs.push(make_pair(x, current_level + 1));
13
                   visited[x] = true;
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15
16
           bfs.pop();
17
           cout << current node << " " << current level << endl:</pre>
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```

DFS (Depth First Search)

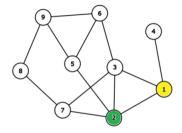
- From a starting node, explore to the furthest depth possible.
- Trackback to next unexplored branches until complete.
- This logic implies the usage of a stack.
- It is possible to implement DFS with iterative and recursive methods.
- Recursive method is easier to understand and implement.

Its recursive algorithm is basically:

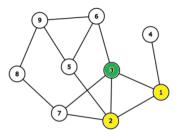
- 1. Call the algorithm for starting node.
- 2. Mark the current node as used.
- 3. Write down the current node.
- 4. Call the function for all unvisited adjacent nodes. Calls them recursively.



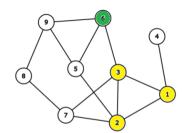
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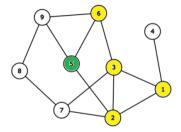
Current node 2
Call Stack 1 2
Used nodes 1 2
DFS 1 2



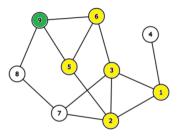
Current node 3
Call Stack 1 2 3
Used nodes 1 2 3
DFS 1 2 3



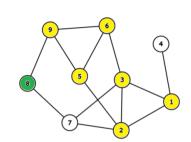
Current node	6
Call Stack	1236
Used nodes	1236
DFS	1236



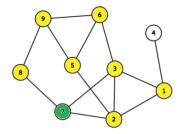
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Call Stack	12365
Used nodes	12356
DFS	12365



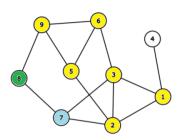
Current node	9
Call Stack	123659
Used nodes	123569
DFS	123659



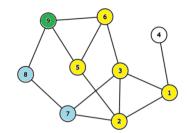
Current node				8			
Call Stack	1	2	3	6	5	9	8
Used nodes	1	2	3	5	6	8	9
DFS	1	2	3	6	5	9	8



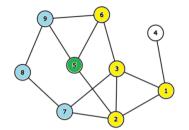
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Call Stack	1236
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Used nodes	1235
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DFS	1236
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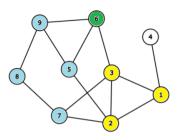
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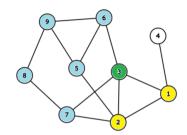
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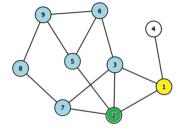


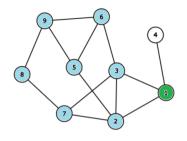
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Used nodes	1 2 3 5
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DFS	1236
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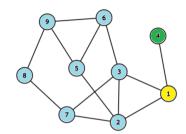
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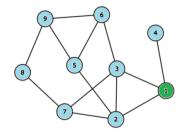
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Current node	1	
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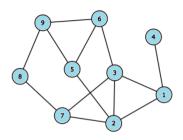
Current neds



Current node	4
Call Stack	1 4
Used nodes	12345
	6789
DFS	12365
	9874



Current node	1
Call Stack	1
Used nodes	12345
	6789
DFS	12365
	9874



Current node	-
Call Stack	-
Used nodes	12345
	6789
DFS	12365
	9874

Recursive DFS Code, Declerations

```
1 int main()
2 {
      vector < vector < int >> adjacency_list =
           {}, {2, 3, 4},
5
           \{1, 3, 5, 7\}, \{1, 2, 6, 7\},
           {1}, {2, 6, 9},
           {3, 5, 9}, {2, 3, 8},
           {7, 9}, {5, 6, 8}
10
      unordered_map<int, bool> visited;
11
      dfs(1, adjacency_list, visited);
12
      cout << endl;</pre>
13
      return 0;
14
15 }
```

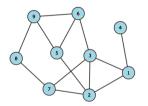


Figure: The graph used in the code

Recursive DFS Code, DFS Function

```
void dfs(int current_node,
            vector < vector < int >> & adjacency_list ,
            unordered_map < int, bool > & visited)
      visited[current_node] = true;
      cout << current_node << " ";</pre>
      for(int x : adjacency_list[current_node])
           if(!visited[x])
               dfs(x, adjacency_list, visited);
10
11
12 }
```

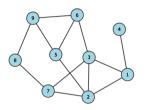


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Iterative DFS Code, Declerations

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1 int main()
2 {
      vector < vector < int >> adjacency_list =
           {}, {2, 3, 4},
           \{1, 3, 5, 7\}, \{1, 2, 6, 7\},
           {1}, {2, 6, 9},
           {3, 5, 9}, {2, 3, 8},
8
           {7, 9}, {5, 6, 8}
9
      };
10
      unordered_map < int, bool > visited;
11
      stack<int> dfs:
12
      dfs.push(1);
13
```

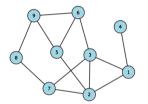


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Iterative DFS Code, Operation

```
while(!dfs.empty())
2
           int current_node = dfs.top();
           dfs.pop();
           for(int x: adjacency_list[current_node])
               if(!visited[x])
                    dfs.push(x);
Q
           if (!visited[current_node])
10
11
               visited[current_node] = true;
12
               cout << current_node << " ";</pre>
13
14
15
      cout << endl:
16
      return 0;
17
18 }
```

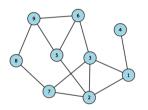


Figure: The graph used in the code

Comparison of BFS and DFS

	DFS	BFS
Exploration order	Depth	Level
Data structure	Stack	Queue
Time complexity	O(V + E)	O(V+E)
Space complexity	O(V)	O(V)
Exploration tree	Narrow and long	Wide and short

Table: Ref: opengenus.org

Topological Sort

- With using a DFS, entirely traverse a directed uncyclic graph (DAG).
- Use a stack to save the traversed nodes in a stack.
- Write down stack from top to bottom to store:
 - For dependencies, install order,
 - For lectures requiring previously taken courses, order of lectures that you should take,
 - Order of tasks in task list in which certain tasks require previously completed tasks.
- This algorithm fails if the graph is not a **DAG**.
 - It is not the weakness of the algorithm, such graphs are impossible to topologically sort.
 - If A requires B and B requires A to be done, it is impossible to do both tasks.
- Time complexity: **O(V + E)**
- Space complexity: **O(V)**

DAG and Not DAG Graph Examples

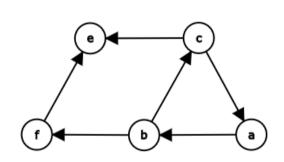


Figure: Not a DAG, not topologically sort-able.

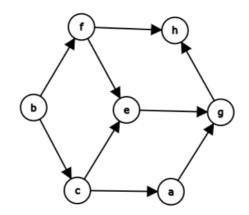


Figure: DAG, topologically sort-able

Topological Sort Example Part 1

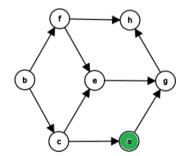


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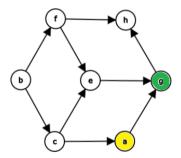


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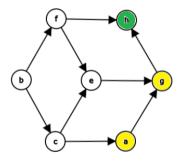


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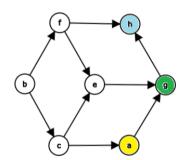


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h

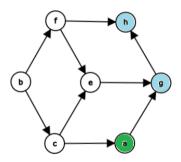


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g

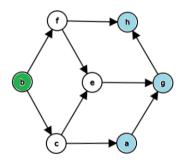


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a

Topological Sort Example Part 3

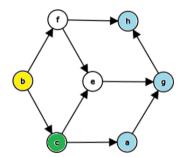


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a

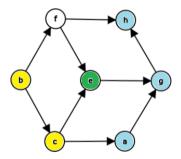


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a

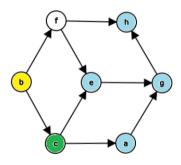


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a-e

Topological Sort Example Part 4

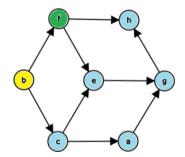


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a-e-c

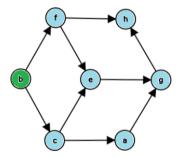


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a-e-c-f

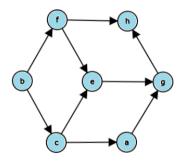


Figure: Topological Sort Stack: h-g-a-e-c-f-b

Topological Sort Recursive DFS Code

```
void topSort(int node, vector<vector<int>>& adj_list, unordered_map<int,</pre>
     bool>& visited, stack<int>& top_sort_stack)
2 {
      visited[node] = true;
3
      for(int x : adj_list[node])
          if(!visited[x])
6
               topSort(x, adj_list, visited, top_sort_stack);
8
      top_sort_stack.push(node);
      return:
10
11 }
```

Topological Sort Function Call and Printing Stack

```
for(int i = 1; i < adj_list.size(); i++)
{
    if(!visited[i])
        topSort(i, adj_list, visited, top_sort_stack);
}
while(!top_sort_stack.empty())
{
    cout << top_sort_stack.top() << " ";
    top_sort_stack.pop();
}
cout << endl;</pre>
```

Tree Traversals

- Trees are called complete m-ary if nodes have either **0** or **m** child nodes.
- Height of a tree is the longest path from the root of the tree and its leaves.
- Three ways to traverse a complete binary tree.
- Preorder traversal

Inorder traversal

Postorder traversal

■ value, left, right

left, value, right

left, right, value

- Traversals are used to notate a tree.
- Using recursive functions to traverse.
- Complexity is O(n + m) but for trees, m = n 1 so complexity is O(n).
- Space complexity is O(1).
- Note: Postorder traversal is also known as reverse Polish notation.

Tree Struct Code

Struct:

```
1 struct TreeNode
2 {
      int value;
3
      TreeNode *left:
4
      TreeNode *right;
5
      TreeNode(int x) : value(x), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
6
7 };
Declaration:
      TreeNode *root = new TreeNode(1):
      root -> left = new TreeNode(2);
      root->right = new TreeNode(3):
3
      root->left->left = new TreeNode(4):
4
      root->left->right = new TreeNode(5);
5
      root->right->left = new TreeNode(6);
6
      root -> right -> right = new TreeNode(7);
```

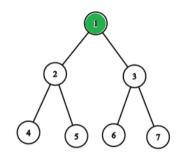


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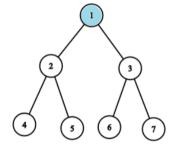


Figure: Preorder Traversal: 1

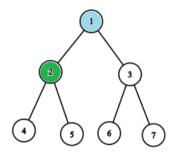


Figure: Preorder Traversal: 1

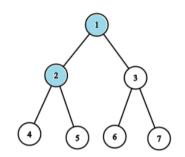


Figure: Preorder Traversal: 1-2

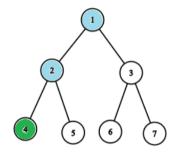


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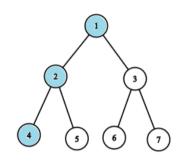


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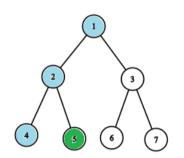


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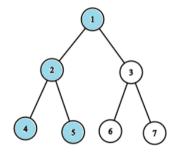


Figure: Preorder Traversal: 1-2-4-5

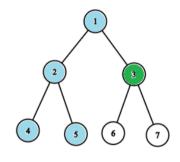


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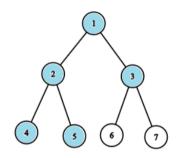


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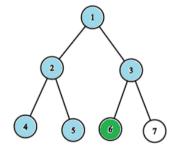


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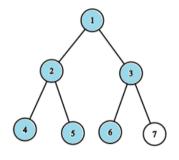


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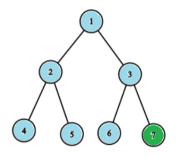


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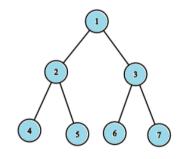


Figure: Preorder Traversal: 1-2-4-5-3-6-7

Preorder Traversal Code

Recursive function:

```
void preorderTraversal(TreeNode *root)
2 {
      if (root == nullptr)
          return;
      cout << root->value << " ";</pre>
      preorderTraversal(root->left);
      preorderTraversal(root->right);
9
10 }
Function call:
      // preorder traversal
      preorderTraversal(root);
      cout << endl:
```

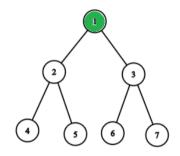


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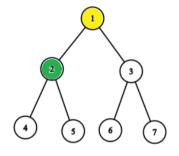


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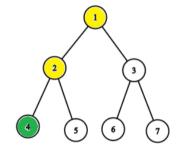


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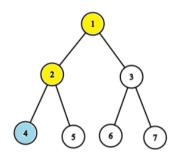


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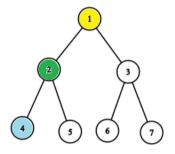


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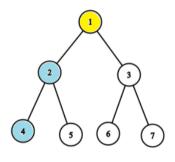


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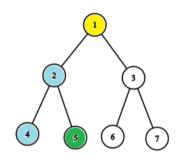


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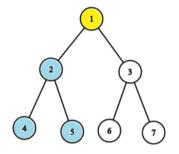


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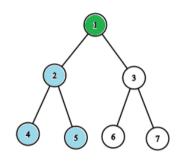
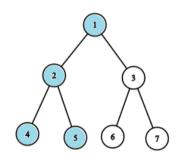
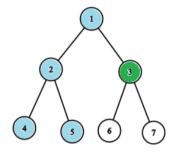


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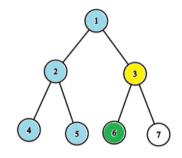


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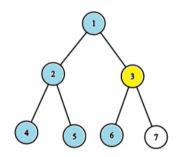


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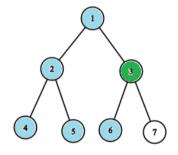


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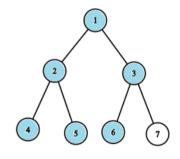


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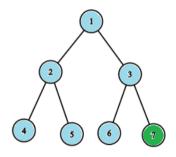


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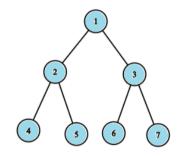


Figure: Inorder Traversal: 4-2-5-1-6-3-7

Inorder Traversal Code

Recursive function:

```
void inorderTraversal(TreeNode *root)
2 {
      if (root == nullptr)
          return;
      inorderTraversal(root->left);
      cout << root->value << " ";</pre>
      inorderTraversal(root->right);
10 }
Function call:
      // inorder traversal
      inorderTraversal(root);
      cout << endl:
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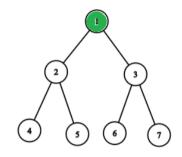


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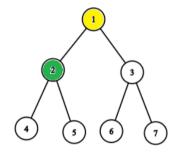


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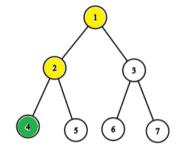


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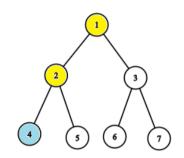


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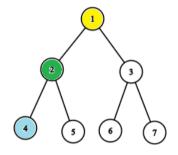


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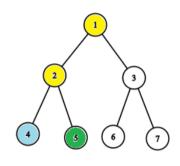


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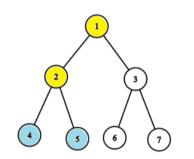


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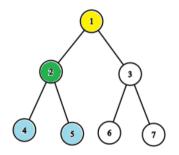


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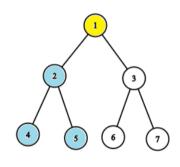


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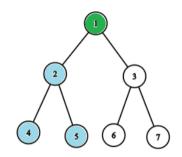


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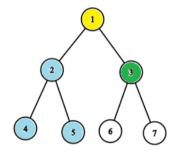


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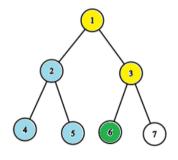


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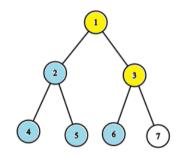


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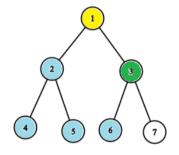


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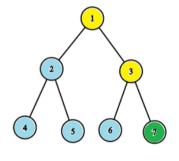


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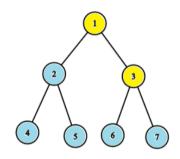


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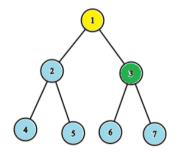


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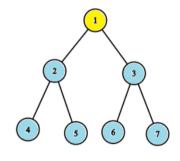


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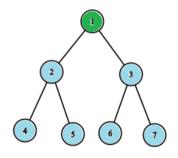


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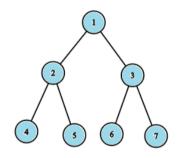


Figure: Postorder Traversal: 4-5-2-6-7-3-1

Postorder Traversal Code

Recursive function:

```
void postorderTraversal(TreeNode *root)
2 {
      if (root == nullptr)
          return;
      postorderTraversal(root->left);
      postorderTraversal(root->right);
      cout << root->value << " ";</pre>
10 }
Function call:
      // postorder traversal
      postorderTraversal(root);
      cout << endl:
```

Binary Search Tree

- In the form of the binary tree data structure.
- Values of left sub-tree < node's value.
- Values of right sub-tree > node's value.
- Left-most value is the smallest.
- Right-most value is the greatest.
- If traversed inorder, you get a sorted array.
- Balanced BST: Depth of the leaves differ at most by 1.
- It is possible to construct a BST from any traversal of the BST or from an array.
- In a BST, you can find an item in **O(logn)** complexity.

Binary Search Tree Examples

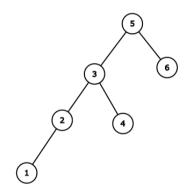


Figure: Unbalanced BST example

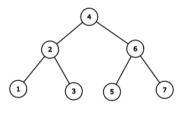


Figure: Balanced BST example

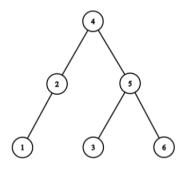


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Constructing a BST from Scratch Example

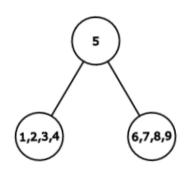


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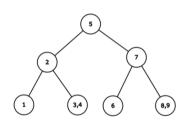


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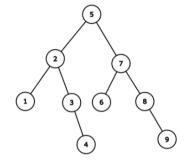


Figure: Balanced BST constructed.

Balanced BST Construction Code, Tree Struct and Function Call

```
1 struct TreeNode
2 {
      int val:
3
      TreeNode *left;
4
      TreeNode *right;
5
      TreeNode() : val(0), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
6
      TreeNode(int x) : val(x), left(nullptr), right(nullptr) {}
7
      TreeNode(int x, TreeNode *left, TreeNode *right): val(x), left(left),
8
      right(right) {}
9 };
10 vector<int> numbers = {4, 1, 2, 6, 3, 9, 7, 8, 5};
      sort(numbers.begin(), numbers.end());
11
      TreeNode* balancedBST = recursiveBSTgen(numbers, 0, numbers.size() -
12
     1);
```

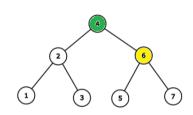
Balanced BST Construction Code, Recursive Construction Code

```
TreeNode* recursiveBSTgen(vector<int>& numbers, int left, int right)
2 {
      // When there is no element to place
      if(left > right)
5
          return NULL:
6
      int middle = (left + right) / 2;
8
      TreeNode* root = new TreeNode(numbers[middle]);
9
      // left and right branches
10
      root->left = recursiveBSTgen(numbers, left, middle - 1);
11
      root->right = recursiveBSTgen(numbers. middle + 1. right);
12
      return root:
13
14 }
```

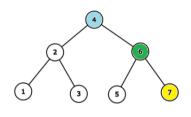
BST Search Algorithm

- One of the benefits of BST is the ease of searching an item.
- Rather than searching linearly in an array, search using divide & conquer.
- O(logn) complexity in a tree, rather than O(n) in an array.
- There exists dynamically configurable BSTs but they are out of today's scope.
- Those are called red & black trees.
- 1. If current node pointer is a null pointer return false.
- 2. If current value is equal to required, return level or true & false.
- 3. If required value is bigger than current value, go right. (Go back to step 1)
- 4. If required value is smaller than current value, go left. (Go back to step 1)

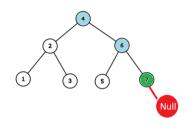
BST Search Example



Target 9 Value 4 Action Go Right



Target 9
Value 6
Action Go Right



Target 9
Value 7
Action Go Right

After going right, function will encounter a null pointer therefore it will return either an **invalid level** or **false**.

BST Search Code

```
int BSTsearch(TreeNode* node, int target, int previous_level)
2 {
      if (node == NULL)
          return -1; // Invalid level or false,
4
      if(node->val == target)
5
          return previous_level + 1; // Current level or true,
6
      if(node->val > target)
          return BSTsearch(node->left, target, previous_level + 1);
8
      if(node->val < target)</pre>
9
          return BSTsearch(node->right, target, previous_level + 1);
10
11 }
```

Example Questions

- Path Sum II (DFS & Tree & Recursion)
- Number of Provinces (DFS)
- Course Schedule (Topological Sort)
- Convert Sorted Array to BST (Binary Search Tree)
- Validate Binary Search Tree (BST & Tree Traversal)