

LexBFS and its applications

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Overview

1 Graph Searches

What's in a graph ?

Graph

We consider non-oriented, simple and **connected** graphs

INCLUDE GRAPHS EXAMPLES AND COUNTEREXAMPLES

Generic Search

```
for i in [1, ..., n]:  
    if i == 1:  
        u = any vertex  
    else:  
        u = any unvisited marked vertex  
    visit(u)  
    for v in neighbours(u):  
        mark(v)
```

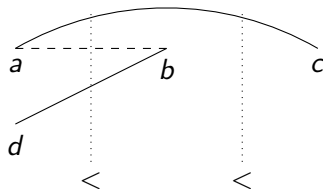
Another Characterization

Let's number vertices in the order they are visited.

Theorem

An order σ corresponds to a Generic Search if and only if

$$\forall a <_{\sigma} b <_{\sigma} c, ac \in E \text{ and } ab \notin E, \exists d <_{\sigma} b \text{ st } db \in E$$



DFS

INCLUDE GRAPH EXAMPLE

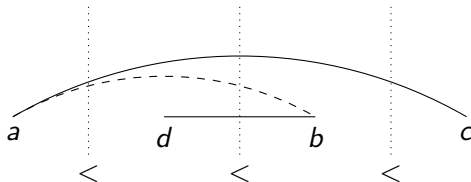
```
for i in [1, ..., n]:  
    if i == 1:  
        u = any vertex  
    else:  
        u = any unvisited vertex w/ max label  
    visit(u)  
    for v in neighbours(u):  
        label[v] = i
```

Another Characterization

Theorem

An order σ corresponds to a DFS if and only if

$$\forall a <_{\sigma} b <_{\sigma} c, ac \in E \text{ and } ab \notin E, \exists a <_{\sigma} d <_{\sigma} b \text{ st } db \in E$$



BFS

```
for i in [n, ..., 1]:  
    if i == n:  
        u = any vertex  
    else:  
        u = any unvisited vertex w/ max label  
    visit(u)  
    for v in neighbours(u):  
        if v has no label:  
            label[v] = i
```

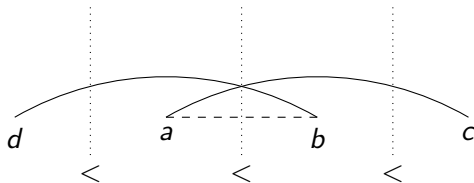
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Let's rewrite BFS

```
for i in [n, ..., 1]:
    if i == n:
        u = any vertex
    else:
        u = any unvisited vertex
           w/ max first element of label
    visit(u)
    for v in neighbours(u):
        label[v].append(i)
```

Here is LexBFS

```
for i in [n, ..., 1]:  
    if i == n:  
        u = any vertex  
    else:  
        u = any unvisited vertex  
           w/ max lexicographical label  
    visit(u)  
    for v in neighbours(u):  
        label[v].append(i)
```

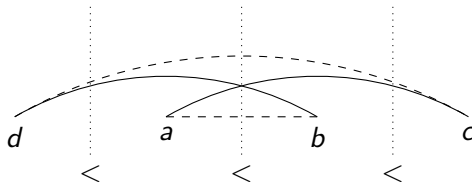
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Another Characterization

Iterating on $[1, \dots, n]$ and prepending, we obtain LexDFS

Theorem

An order σ corresponds to a LexDFS if and only if

$$\forall a <_{\sigma} b <_{\sigma} c, ac \in E, ab \notin E, \exists a <_{\sigma} d <_{\sigma} b \text{ st } db \in E, dc \notin E$$

