

# Depth first search

The Depth First Search(DFS) is the most fundamental search algorithm used to explore the nodes and edges of a graph.

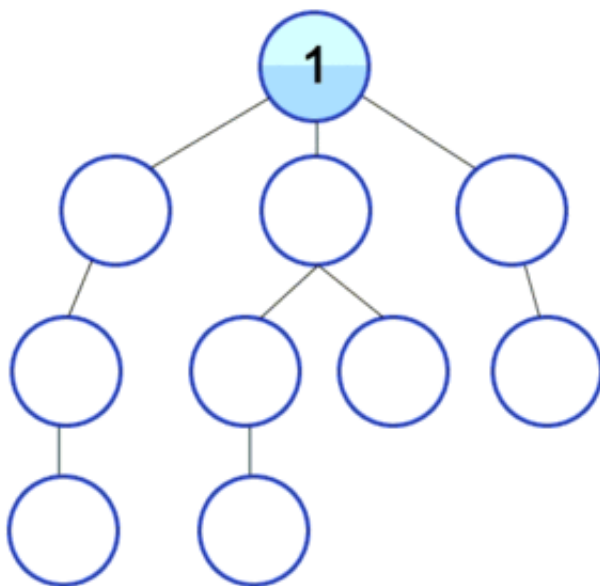
DFS is an algorithm for traversing or searching tree or graph data structures. It starts at the root node (selecting some arbitrary node as the root node in the case of a graph) and explores as far as possible along each branch before backtracking. It makes use of the Stack data structure to traverse graphs and trees.

**Time complexity:**  $O(V+E)$  ,  $V = \text{nodes}$ ,  $E = \text{no. of edges}$

**Use:**

- Finding the bridges of a graph
- Detect cycles in a graph
- Finding connected components

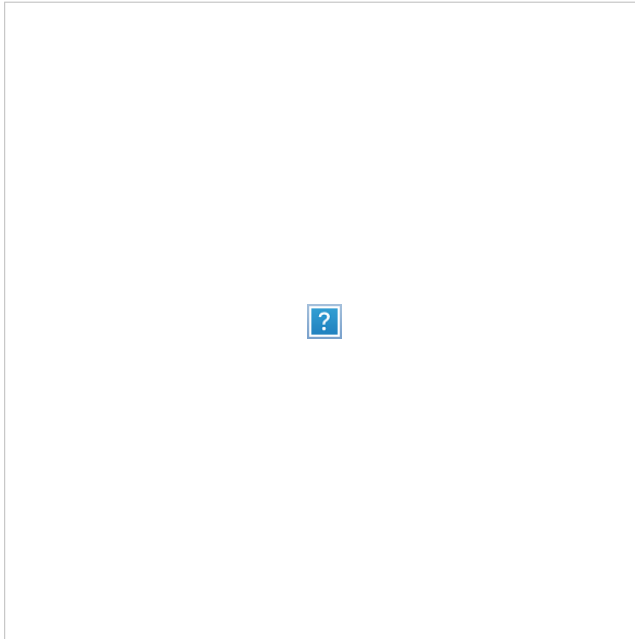
**Example:**



[Reference:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Depth-first\\_search](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Depth-first_search)]

## 2. DFS for graphs



## Steps:

Consider an empty "Stack" that contains the visited nodes for each iteration. Our task here is as follows:

- Start at the root node and push it onto the stack.
- Check for any adjacent nodes of the tree and select one node.
- Traverse the entire branch of the selected node and push all the nodes into the stack.
- Upon reaching the end of a branch (no more adjacent nodes) ie nth leaf node, move back by a single step and look for adjacent nodes of the n-1th node.
- If there are adjacent nodes for the n-1th node, traverse those branches and push nodes onto the stack.

## Method1: Recursion based DFS

Recursion method require two things: stop condition and repeat calls. stop condition will help finishing function call.

## Method 2: Iteration based DFS

Here, Stack Data Structure is necessary to provide the stack functionality inherently present in the recursive function.

## TASK1:

Complete the below code. Use inline comments as a hint. 5 lines are incomplete, write a code there. Do not touch any other code in GraphDFS class.

In [3]:

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class GraphDFS:
    def __init__(self, graph, source):
        self.graph = graph
        self.source = source

    def dfs_non_recursive(self):
        if self.source is None or self.source not in self.graph:
            return "invalid input"          #Return invalid input message
        path = []                          #create empty list
        stack = [self.source]
        while(len(stack) != 0):
            s = stack.pop()#3                #pop element from stack
            if s not in path:
                path.append(s)              #Append s to path
            if s not in self.graph: #leaf node
                continue
            for neighbor in self.graph[s]:
                stack.append(neighbor)      #Append neighbour to s
        return ",".join(path)

#Do not touch code below this line
graph = {"A":["B", "C", "D"],
         "B":["E"],
         "C":["F", "G"],
         "D":["H"],
         "E":["I"],
         "F":["J"]}

graphDFS = GraphDFS(graph, "A")
print("DFS on graph using iterative method: ")
print(graphDFS.dfs_non_recursive())

#similarly for graphs, DFS can be implemeted using recursion method too.
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DFS on graph using iterative method:  
A,D,H,C,G,F,J,B,E,I

# 1. DFS for trees

Depth first traversal can be done in three ways in binary tree:

- Inorder (Left, Root, Right)
- Preorder (Root, Left, Right)
- Postorder (Left, Right, Root)

## 1. Inorder traversal

- 1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Inorder(left-subtree)
- 2. Visit the root
- 3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Inorder(right-subtree)

## 2. Preorder traversal

- 1. Visit the root
- 2. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Preorder(left-subtree)
- 3. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Preorder(right-subtree)

## 3. Postorder traversal

- 1. Traverse the left subtree, i.e., call Postorder(left-subtree)
- 2. Traverse the right subtree, i.e., call Postorder(right-subtree)
- 3. Visit the root

## TASK 2:

Complete the below code. Use inline comments as a hint. 3 lines are incomplete, write a code there. Do not touch any other code in DFS class.

In [24]:

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# A class that represents an individual node in a Binary Tree
class Node:
    def __init__(self, key):
        self.left = None
        self.right = None
        self.val = key

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#create class Node with left, right and val as a instance variables.
#create constructor in class and take key as argument in constructor.
# Assign None, None and key values to left, right and val instance variable r
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class DFS:
    def __init__(self, root):
        self.root = root

    # Inorder tree traversal
    def printInorder(self):
        if root:
            printInorder(self.root.left) # First recur on left child
            print(self.root.val, end=' ') # then print the data of node
            printInorder(self.root.right) # now recur on right child

    # Postorder tree traversal
    def printPostorder(self):
        if root:
            printPostorder(self.root.left) # First recur on left child
            printPostorder(self.root.right) # the rec
            print(self.root.val, end=' ') # now print the data of node

    # Preorder tree traversal
    def printPreorder(self):
        if root:
            print(self.root.val, end=' ') # First print the data of node
            printPreorder(self.root.left) # Then recur on left child
            printPreorder(self.root.right) # Finally recur on right child

# code executiona starts from here
root = Node(1)
root.left = Node(2)
root.right = Node(3)
root.left.left = Node(4)
root.left.right = Node(5)

dfs = DFS(root)
print("Preorder traversal of binary tree is")
dfs.printPreorder()

print("\nInorder traversal of binary tree is")
dfs.printInorder()

print("\nPostorder traversal of binary tree is")
dfs.printPostorder()

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Preorder traversal of binary tree is
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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
<ipython-input-24-05ae79240045> in <module>
    49 dfs = DFS(root)
    50 print("Preorder traversal of binary tree is")
--> 51 dfs.printPreorder()
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    53 print("\nInorder traversal of binary tree is")

<ipython-input-24-05ae79240045> in printPreorder(self)
    37         if root:
    38             print(self.root.val, end=' ') # First print the data of no
de
--> 39             printPreorder(self.root.left)      # Then recur on left
child
    40             printPreorder(self.root.right) # Finally recur on right ch
ild
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NameError: name 'printPreorder' is not defined
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