

Class Notes

CIS 502 Analysis of Algorithm

3-Graph Traversal

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1 Graphics Basics

- A graph G is an ordered pair of two sets (V, E) .
- V is a set of vertices/points/nodes, which is always a finite set.
- E is a set of unordered pair of vertices.
- An edge is represented as (u, v) . Here we abuse the notion of ordered pair to represent unordered pair.

1.1 Two representation of Graph

When we talked about graph without adjective, that mean it is a undirected graph. Suppose the number of vertices is $|V| = n$.

- A vertex is incident to an edge if the vertex is one of the two vertices the edge connects.
- If an edge (u, v) has end points u and v , we say it is an incident to vertex u and v .
- u, v are adjacent if $(u, v) \in E$.
- The degree of vertex v is the number of edges incident on v .

1.1.1 Adjacency Matrix

Adjacency Matrix is a symmetric matrix for undirected graph where

$$V_{ij} = \begin{cases} |(i, j)| & , \text{ if } (i, j) \in \mathbb{E}. \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

1.1.2 Adjacency List

Adjacency List is an array of size n of linked list, where i -th entry is a linked list consisting of the neighbors of vertex- i . It is default representation of graph.

$$\text{Space} = O(n + m)$$

1.2 Connectivity

1.2.1 Path

A path in a graph is a sequence of vertices

$$v_0 v_1 \cdots v_k$$

, such that $(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in \mathbb{E}$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k - 1$. A simple path is a path that does not repeat vertices.

Lemma: If there is a path (u, v) , there must be a simple path (u, v) .

1.2.2 Cycle

A cycle in a graph is a sequence of vertices

$$v_0 v_1 \cdots v_k v_0$$

, such that $(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in \mathbb{E}$ for $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k - 1$ and $(v_k, v_0) \in \mathbb{E}$. All v_i s are distinct.

1.2.3 Connectivity

- u, v is **connected** if there is a path between them.
- G is **connected** if $\forall u, v \in V$, there is a path between u and v .
- The **connected components** of G are maximal subset of vertices that are pairwise connected.

1.2.4 Connection is equivalence relation

Connection relation in a graph is an equivalence relation.

- Reflexive Relation (take Path of length 0)
- Symmetric Relation (reversible path)
- Transitive Relation: If a Graph has a uv path and also vw path then it will also contain uw path.

Because connection is the equivalence relation, pairwise connected vertices form a connected component.

2 Tree

Tree is a connected acyclic graph.

2.1 Rooted tree

2.1.1 Inductive Defintion

A nice thing about Inductive defintion is it is useful for the proofs by induction.

- **Rule 1:** A graph consist of a single vertex v is a rooted tree with v as the root.
- **Rule 2:** If $(T_1, r_1), (T_2, r_2), \dots, (T_k, r_k)$ are rooted trees, then the tree (T, r) consisting of a new node r as root and edges $(r, r_1), \dots, (r, r_k)$ is a rooted tree.

2.2 Structural induction Proof

Statement: Any tree with n nodes has $n - 1$ edges.

Since any tree can be transformed into a rooted tree, the induction can be as following:

- Statement: Any rooted tree on n nodes has $n - 1$ edges.
- Base case: Single node tree with no edge. The statement is true.
- Inductive hypothesis: For a rooted tree T_r , built up from $(T_1, r_1), (T_2, r_2), \dots, (T_n, r_n)$ using rule 2. Assume the statement is true for all the trees T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k and prove it for t .
- Inductive step:
 - Let tree T_i have n_i nodes, $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Then T has $\sum_{i=1}^k n_i + 1$ nodes.
 - By the inductive hypothesis, T_i has $n_i - 1$ edges.
 - Total number of edges is $T = \sum_{i=1}^k (n_i - 1) + k = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$.
 - The number of edge is one less than the number of nodes. It proofs the inductive step.

3 Traversal

Traversal: Visiting all parts of the graph.

3.1 Traversal rooted tree

3.1.1 Post-order traversal

- First traverse each of the children
- Visit the root.