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Assignment 2

Title: Depth First Search (DFS) Simulation

Aim: To understand and demonstrate how the Depth First Search algorithm works using an interactive simulation.

Theory:

Depth First Search (DFS) is a fundamental graph traversal technique used to explore nodes and edges of a graph systematically.

- **Working Principle:** DFS starts at a selected source vertex and explores as far along each branch as possible before backtracking.
- **Data Structure Used:** Stack (can be implemented explicitly using a stack or implicitly using recursion).
- **Traversal Strategy:**

1. Visit the current node.
2. Recursively visit all unvisited neighbors.
3. Backtrack when no unvisited neighbors are found.

Key Characteristics of DFS:

- DFS can be used to detect cycles in a graph.
- It helps in solving maze problems, topological sorting, and connectivity checking.
- DFS is not guaranteed to find the shortest path in weighted graphs.

Time Complexity: $O(V + E)$ where V = number of vertices, E = number of edges.

Space Complexity: $O(V)$ for recursion/stack storage.

Procedure:

1.Open Simulation:

Access the DFS experiment from *vlab.co.in* → Computer Science and Engineering → Artificial Intelligence → Depth First Search.

2.Set Parameters:

- Choose **Start Vertex** (e.g., 4).
- Adjust **Tree Depth** (e.g., 4).
- Keep **AutoPlay** enabled for automated traversal.

3.Run DFS:

- Click **Start DFS**.
- Observe how the algorithm visits nodes and builds the frontier.

4.Observation & Recording:

- Note the visiting order displayed in the *Information* panel.
- Record screenshots for different stages — initial, mid, and final traversal.


5.Completion:

- Let the simulation finish visiting all nodes.
- Save final results for assignment submission.

Simulation Result:

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Depth First Search

To understand how Depth First Search algorithm works.

Controls

Start Vertex: 4

Start DFS

Next

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Toggle Forces

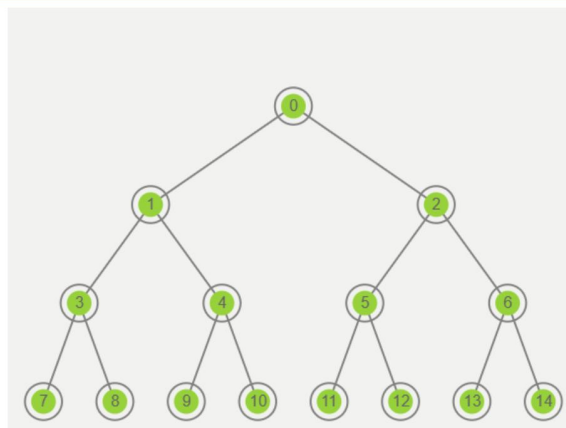
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Note: Overwrites Graph

Tree Controls:

| Tree Depth: 4

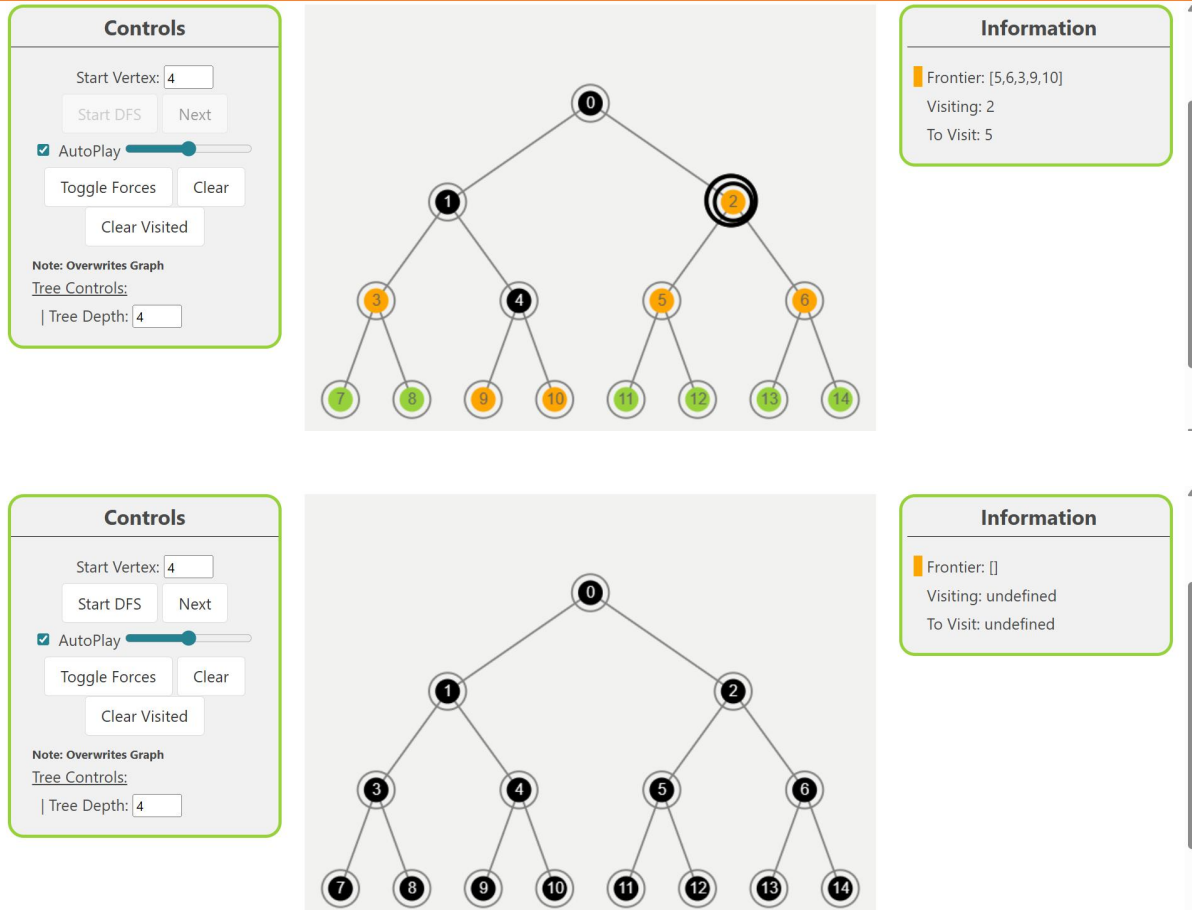


Information

Frontier: []

Visiting: undefined

To Visit: undefined



Observation:

From the given tree structure:

- DFS started at vertex 4.
- The traversal followed depth-wise exploration before moving to sibling branches.
- The *Frontier* list showed nodes queued for future visits, and the *Visiting* field indicated the current node being processed.

Conclusion:

The DFS algorithm successfully traversed the entire graph in depth-first order. This experiment demonstrated:

- How DFS explores deeply before backtracking.
- The importance of a stack-based approach for traversal order control.
- The difference between DFS and BFS in terms of visiting sequence.