

Graphs

Representation

Breadth First Search

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Graphs

- Graph $G=(V,E)$
- set V of **vertices** or **nodes** – represents collection of objects
- set of **edges** (pairs of nodes) – represents relation between objects undirected or directed
- **undirected graph**: edge (u,v) same as (v,u)
- **Directed graph**: edge (u,v) not same as (v,u)
- **Simple graph**: no self-loops, no parallel (duplicate) edges
- **Multigraph**: allows multiple edges
- Fundamental model.
- Many applications

Modeling by Graphs

- Physical connections

- communication networks: nodes=switches, computers
- electric circuits: nodes=gates, edges=wires
- Chemistry: nodes=molecules, edges=bonds
- Neural networks: nodes=neurons, edges=synapses
- geographical maps: nodes=cities, edges= roads, flights, railroads
- City maps: nodes=intersections, edges=streets
- ...

Modeling by Graphs

- Logical connections & relations
 - Data structures: nodes and pointers
 - Social relationships, social networks (“knows”, “works for”..)
 - entity relationship diagrams in data modeling
 - dependency relation
 - control/data flow graphs
 - message flow graphs
 - AI: puzzles, mazes
 - Games: nodes=positions, edges=moves
- Structure of other models in mathematics, CS
 - finite automata, state machines
 - Markov chains,
 - partial orders, lattices, ...

Graphs - Terminology

- $G(N,E)$, Undirected or Directed
- N : nodes (or vertices)
- E : edges (or arcs for directed)
- Main size parameters: $n=|N|$, $e=|E|$
- Paths, Cycles
- Forest, Tree : undirected acyclic graphs
- DAG : directed acyclic graph
- Sometimes, weighted graph: $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- Review Appendix B

Some Basic Problems

- Reachability:

Which nodes can reach which other nodes

- Graph Structure:

Connected components, Cycles

Optimization problems:

- Shortest Paths between nodes
- Minimum Spanning Tree
- Maximum Flow, Minimum Cut, Matching,

Graph Representation

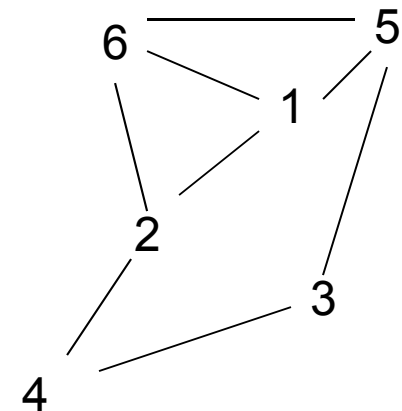
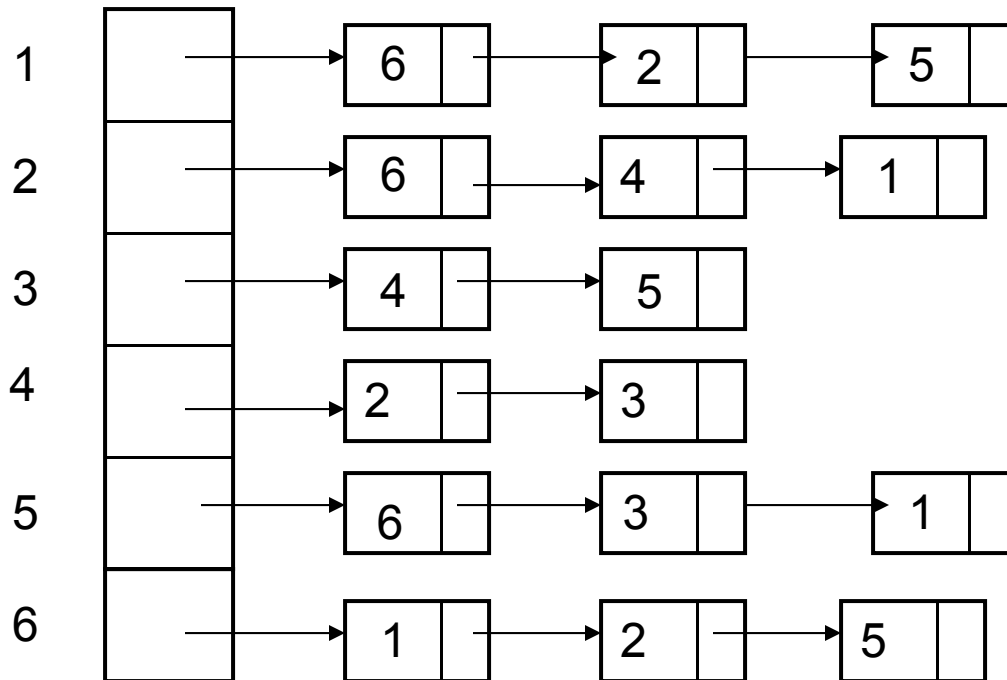
- **Node representation:** Integers $1, \dots, n$, so we can index on them (build arrays)
- Generally, nodes belong to some domain D (eg. strings).
- Use a dictionary (symbol table) eg. hash map, trie, search tree, etc, to map between D and $\{1, \dots, n\}$, both ways.
- Example:
Newark airport: 1
Kennedy airport: 2
La Guardia airport: 3
....

Graph Representation - Edges

- List of edges, i.e. pairs i,j
- Space = $O(e)$
- Adjacency matrix indexed by nodes: 2d boolean array $A[i,j]$ is 1 if edge (i,j) is in E , 0 otherwise
- Undirected graph: matrix is symmetric $A[i,j] = A[j,i]$
- Directed graph: A maybe asymmetric
- Space = $O(n^2)$
- Good for dense graphs: #edges close to $(\# \text{ nodes})^2$

Adjacency list representation

- Array of lists = adjacency lists of vertices



Space proportional to $n+e$

Adjacency list representation ctd.

- Undirected Graphs:
 - Every edge (i,j) leads to two entries: j in $\text{adj}[i]$ and i in $\text{adj}[j]$
 - Sometimes it is helpful to connect the two entries so that we can access easily one from the other. That is, node in adj list contains in addition a link to the mate node
 - Also, sometimes may use doubly linked lists
- Directed Graphs
 - Every edge appears once

Nonuniqueness of representation

- A graph on node set $N=\{1,\dots,n\}$ has one adjacency matrix representation but many different adjacency list representations (lists with different orderings)
- Can tell if two adj list representations represent same graph in $O(n+e)$ time (HW exercise)
- A graph with vertex names from a general domain has many representations depending how vertex names are mapped to $\{1,\dots,n\}$
- **Graph isomorphism problem:** Determine whether two representations are isomorphic, i.e. same graph except for the vertex mapping to $\{1,\dots,n\}$
- Is there vertex permutation that preserves the edges?
- Much harder problem. Complexity is open.

Weighted Graphs

- Weights or other info associated with edges and/or vertices
- For example, if graph = connections/roads between cities, lengths of edges
- Weighted adjacency matrix: $A[i,j] = \text{weight}(i,j)$
- Adjacency list: node contains also weight field
- Same for “labels” on nodes (for example, chemical compound has nodes labeled by molecules C, Fe etc)

Comparison between representations

• Rep/Task	Space	Edge (i,j) ?	List edges(i)
• List of edges	e	e	e
• Adj matrix	n^2	1	n
• Adj lists	$n+e$	$\deg(i)$	$\deg(i)$

- Often in practice, sparse graphs \rightarrow use adj lists
- Sometimes use doubly linked for easy deletion
- Also, for undirected graphs may have pointers connecting the two occurrences of an edge

Simple Tasks

- Assume Adj lists representation
- Print all edges

For Directed Graphs:

for $i=1$ to n { for each j in $Adj[i]$ print (i,j) }

For Undirected Graphs:

for $i=1$ to n { for each j in $Adj[i]$ if $(i < j)$ print (i,j) }

// so that every edge is printed only once

- Construct Adjacency matrix
 - Initialize matrix to 0
 - Traverse every Adj list and change entry to 1
- Construct reverse of a directed graph
- Compute degree of nodes
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Graph Searching – Single Source Reachability

Input: directed or undirected graph $G=(N,E)$, “source” node s
Which nodes are reachable from node s ?

SEARCH(G,s)

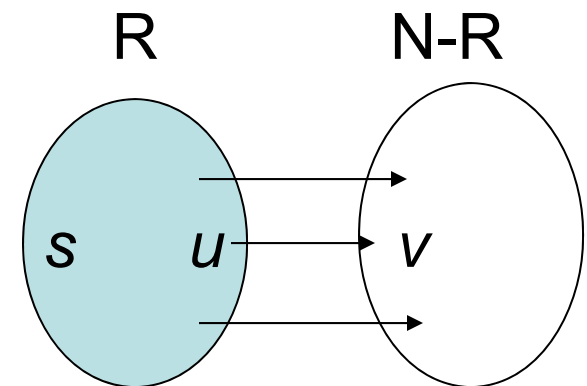
$R = \{s\}$

while \exists edge from R to $N-R$

{ (u,v) =such an edge

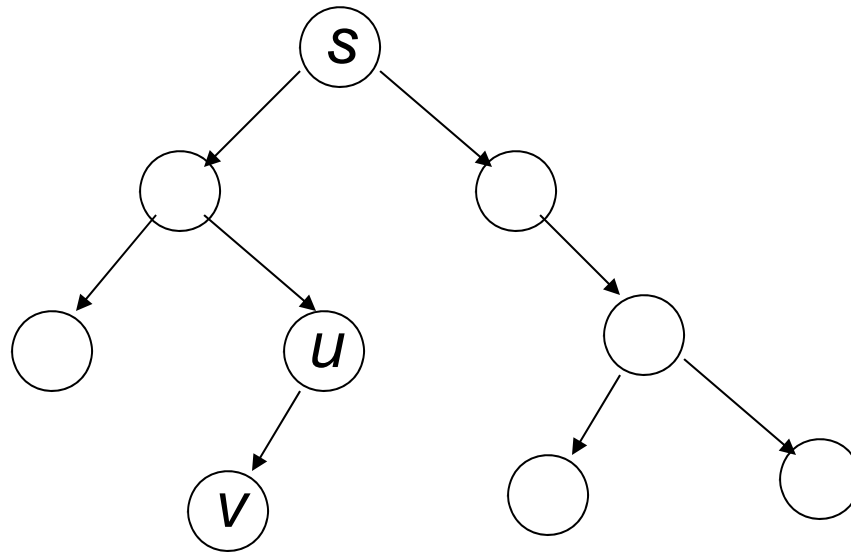
$R = R \cup \{v\}$

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Reachability (Search) Tree

- Rooted tree with root s
- Includes all nodes of R
- parent $p[v] = \text{node } u \text{ that added } v \text{ to } R$



Correctness

Theorem: At the end, R = set of nodes that are reachable from s

Proof:

- $v \in R \Rightarrow v$ reachable

By induction on time that v was added to R

-> s - v path in Search tree

- v reachable $\Rightarrow v \in R$

By induction on length of s - v path

R can be implemented by a bitvector *mark*: $N \rightarrow \{0,1\}$

Selection of edge from R to $N-R$ depends on policy

Search Strategies

- In general, many edges from R to $N-R$
- Different policies for choosing node u in R and the edge (u,v) to $N-R$
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- Different algorithms useful in different contexts:
 - Breadth-First Search (BFS) → BFS tree
 - Depth-First Search (DFS) → DFS tree
 - Dijkstra's algorithm → shortest path tree
 - Prim's algorithm → minimum spanning tree
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Breadth First Search

Policy: Choose edge (u,v) where u is **earliest** node added to R

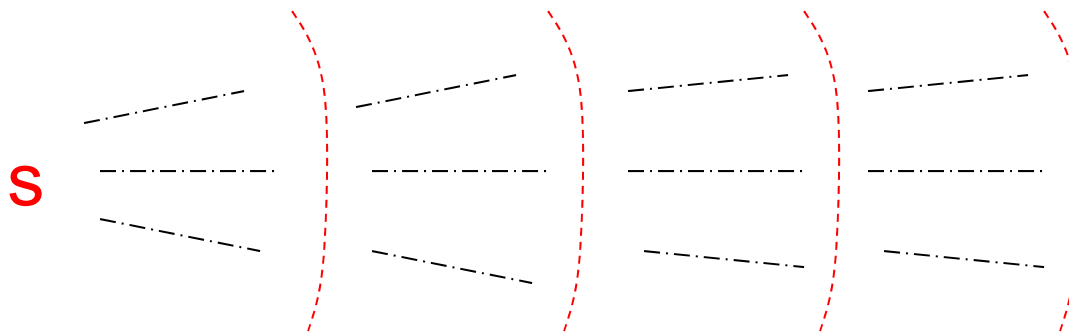
Queue Q keeps reached, unprocessed nodes

- CLRS colors nodes: **white** ($\in N-R$: not reached),
gray ($R \cap Q$: reached active), **black** ($R-Q$: done)

Queue \Rightarrow nodes reached earlier are processed earlier

$d[v]$: length of path of BFS tree from the source s to node v

Theorem: $d[v]$ = distance from s to v in the graph = length of shortest path from s to v



Breadth First Search

BFS(G, s)

for each $v \in N - \{s\}$ do $\{d[v] = \infty; p[v] = \perp\}$

$d[s] = 0; p[s] = \perp$;

$Q = \{s\}$

while $Q \neq \emptyset$ do

{ $u = \text{Dequeue}(Q)$

for each $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$ do

if $d[v] = \infty$ then

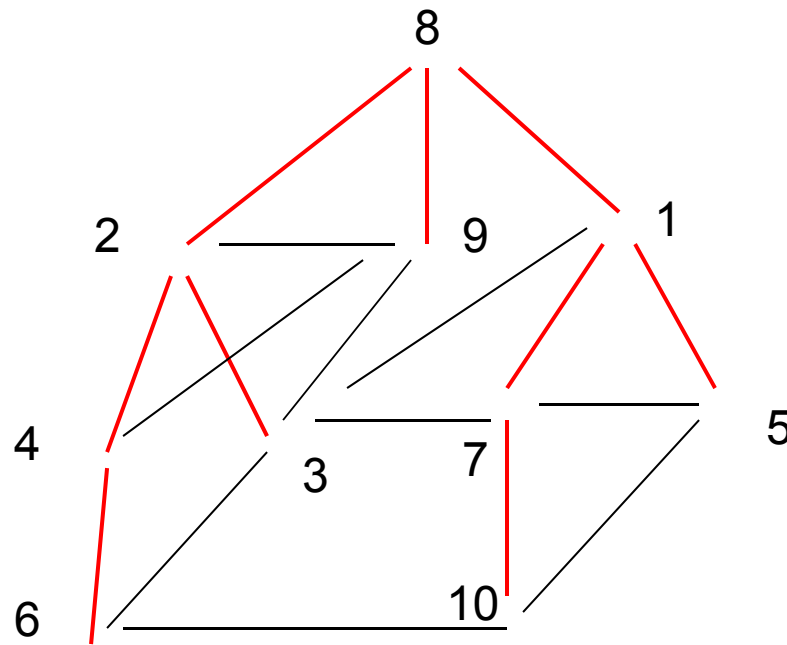
$\{d[v] = d[u] + 1; p[v] = u; \text{Enqueue}(Q, v)\}$

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Reachable nodes: $d[v] = \text{finite}$. Unreachable nodes: $d[v] = \infty$

Time Complexity: $O(n + e)$

Example



Adjacency lists:

1: 3, 7, 5, 8

2: 4, 3, 8, 9

3: 2, 9, 6, 7, 1

4: 6, 2, 9

5: 1, 7, 10

6: 4, 3, 10

7: 3, 1, 10, 5

8: 2, 9, 1

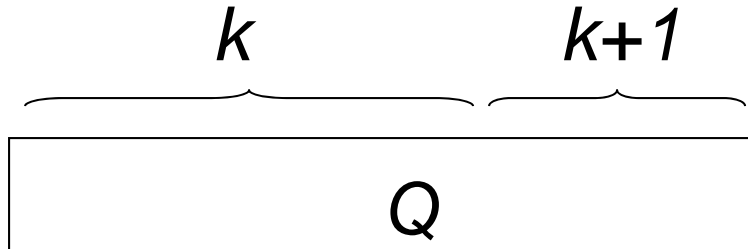
9: 8, 2, 4, 3

10: 6, 7, 5

BFS from node 8

BFS Invariants

- Reached nodes $R = \{ u \mid d[u] < \infty \}$
- $d[u]: u \in \text{Done} \leq k \quad u \in Q: k \text{ or } k+1$



Theorem: $\forall v: d[v] = \text{length of shortest s-v path}$

Proof:

- \geq : length of s-v path in BFS tree = $d[v]$
- \leq : By induction on length of shortest s-v path

Consider shortest path $s - - - u - v$.

By i.h. $d[u] \leq \text{length of s---u path}$

After u is processed, $d[v] \leq d[u] + 1 \leq \text{length of s---v path}$

BFS Tree & Partitioning Graph into Layers

- Layer 0: $L_0 = \{s\}$
- Layer i: $L_i = \{ v \mid d[v]=i \}$
- Undirected graphs: edges connect nodes in same layer or adjacent layers
- Directed graphs: edges can go only to next layer, to same layer or to previous layers

