Graph theory

Introduction and basic algorithms

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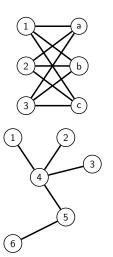
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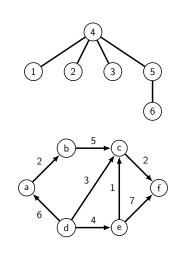
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Examples

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Why graph theory?

- A huge number of problems can be converted in a graph problem
- Graph theory is fun \(^-^)/

We will study problems in abstract form. Their application can be found in the most diverse areas.

Examples

Typical graphs problems

- Given the description of a city, find the shortest path between locations A and B or determine that it is impossible to reach B from A.
- On an electronic board, choose a set of connections whose sum in length is minimal and which allows to pass through all points of interest.
- Given dependency relationships, find a suitable order to install some packages (or attend some classes) or determine that it is impossible.

Definitions

Definition: Graph

Graph G = (V, E)

A graph is defined as a pair of sets:

- *V* is a set of vertexes/nodes
- E is a set of edges

Definitions

Definition: Vertexes and Edges

Vertex

- Vertexes are also called nodes
- Vertexes are denoted with labels

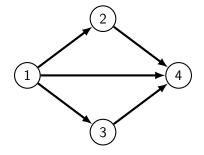
Edge

- Each edge is defined by a pair of vertexes
- An edge connects the vertexes that define it
- In some cases, the vertexes can be the same

Definitions

Example

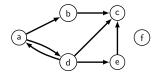
- \bullet G = (V, E)
- $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- $E = \{(1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (2,4), (3,4)\}$



Directed and Undirected graphs: definition

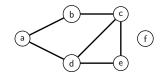
Directed graph G = (V, E)

 E is a set of ordered pairs (u, v) of nodes



Undirected graph G = (V, E)

 E is a set of unordered pairs [u, v] of nodes

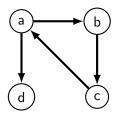


Kinds of graph

Cyclic and Acyclic graphs: definition

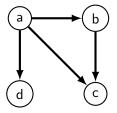
Cyclic graph

Contains cycles



Acyclic graph

Contains no cycles

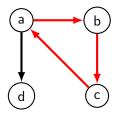


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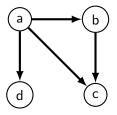
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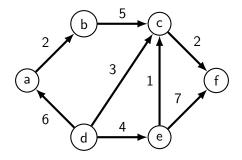


Kinds of graph

Weighted graphs: definition

Weighted graph

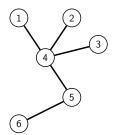
- Each edge is assigned a wheight
- Weigth typically shows cost of traversing



Trees: definition

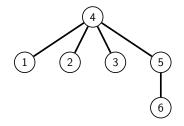
Tree

• *Connected* graph with m = n - 1



Rooted tree

• Connected graph with m=n-1 in which some special node is designed as root



Graph representation

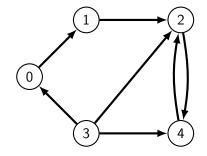
Representations

Two possible "classic" implementations

- Adjacency matrix
- Adjacency list

Adjacency matrix

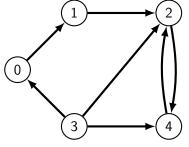
$$m_{uv} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } (u, v) \in E \\ 0, & \text{if } (u, v) \notin E \end{cases}$$



	0	1	2	3	4
0	0	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	1
3	1	0	1	0	1
4	0	0	1	0	0

Adjacency list

$$G.adj(u) = \{v \mid (u, v) \in E\}$$



0	\rightarrow	$\lfloor 1 \rfloor$	
1	\rightarrow	2	
2	\rightarrow	4	

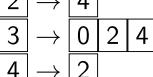


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Breadth-first search

Problem definition

Given a graph G = (V, E) and a vertex $r \in V$ (root), visit exactly once all the vertexes of the graph that can be reached from r.

Breadth-first search (BFS)

Traverse the graph by visiting the nodes by levels: first nodes at distance 1 from the source, then distance 2, etc.

Application: shortest distances

Breadth-first search

```
def bfs(G, r):
   Q = deque()
   Q.append(r)
   visited = {r}
   while len(Q) > 0:
       u = Q.popleft()
       for v in G.adj(u):
       if not v in visited:
           visited.add(v)
           Q.append(v)
```

Depth-first search

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Depth-first search (DFS)

Traverse the graph by visiting all the nodes that can be reached by a node, and all the nodes that can be reached by those nodes, etc.

- Application: topological sort
- Application: cycle detection
- Application: connected components
- Application: strongly connected components

Depth-first search: iterative

```
def dfs(G, r):
   stack = [r]
   visited = {r}
   while len(st) > 0:
       u = stack.pop()
       for v in G.adj(u):
           if not v in visited:
               visited.add(v)
               stack.append(v)
```

DFS

Depth-first search: recursive

```
def dfs(G, u, visited):
 visited.add(r)
 for v in G.adj(u):
   if not v in visited
     dfs(G, v, visited)
```

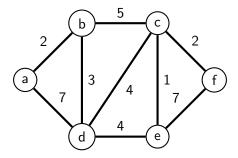
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Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

Problem definition

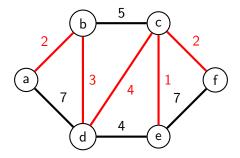
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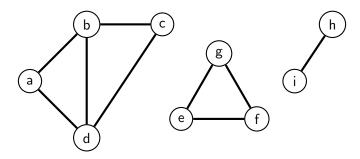
Kruskal algorithm for MST

```
def mst(E):
   E.sort() # sort for increasing weight
   ans = []
   for edge in E:
       if not Cycle(ans, edge):
           ans.append(edge)
   return ans
```

Connected Components

Problem definition

Given an undirected graph G = (V, E), find the number of connected components.



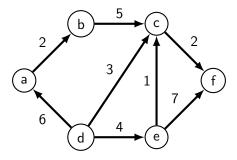
Connected Components

```
def connectedComponents(G):
   visited = {}
   count = 0
   for u in G.V:
       if not u in visited:
           count += 1
           dfs(G, u, visited)
```

Single source shortest path

Problem definition

Given a weighted graph G = (V, E) and a source node s, find the distance of every node from s. If there is not a path from s to a node v, dist[v] should be $+\infty$.



Single source shortest path

```
def shortestPath(G, s):
Q = deque()
 dist = [math.inf] * G.n
 dist[s] = 0
Q.append(s)
 while len(Q) > 0:
   u = Q.popleft()
   for (v,w) in G.adj(u):
     if dist[v] > dist[u] + w
       dist[v] = dist[u] + w
       Q.append(v)
```

return dist

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