BFS and DFS reference – CLRS 4th edition algorithms

Input: Graph G = (V, E), either directed or undirected, and *source vertex* $s \in V$. **Output:**

- v.d = distance (smallest # of edges) from s to v, for all $v \in V$.
- $v.\pi$ is v's **predecessor** on a shortest path (smallest # of edges) from s. (u,v) is last edge on shortest path $s \rightsquigarrow v$.

Predecessor subgraph contains edges (u, v) such that $v. \pi = u$.

The predecessor subgraph forms a tree, called the *breadth-first tree*.

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BFS(V, E, s)
 for each vertex u \in V - \{s\}
      u.d = \infty
      u.\pi = NIL
 s.d = 0
 O = \emptyset
 ENQUEUE(Q, s)
 while Q \neq \emptyset
      u = \text{DEQUEUE}(Q)
      for each vertex v in G.Adj[u] // search the neighbors of u
                                      // is v being discovered now?
           if v.d == \infty
               v.d = u.d + 1
               v.\pi = u
               ENQUEUE(Q, v)
                                      // v is now on the frontier
      // u is now behind the frontier.
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Input: G = (V, E), directed or undirected. No source vertex given. **Output:**

- 2 timestamps on each vertex:
 - v.d = discovery time
 - v.f = finish time

These will be useful for other algorithms later on.

• $v.\pi$ is v's predecessor in the *depth-first forest* of ≥ 1 *depth-first trees*. If $u = v.\pi$, then (u, v) is a *tree edge*.

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DFS(G)

for each vertex u \in G.V

u.color = WHITE

u.\pi = NIL

time = 0

for each vertex u \in G.V

if u.color == WHITE

DFS-VISIT(G, u)
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DFS-VISIT(G, u)

time = time + 1  // white vertex u has just been discovered u.d = time

u.color = GRAY

for each vertex v in G.Adj[u]  // explore each edge (u, v)

if v.color == WHITE

v.\pi = u

DFS-VISIT(G, v)

time = time + 1

u.f = time

u.color = BLACK  // blacken u; it is finished
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