## CSCI 115 Lab

## Week 14- DFS and BFS

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## **Depth First Search**

- DFS is an algorithm to traverse the tree or graph data structure.
- The algorithm starts with an arbitrary node and explore as deep as possible before backtracking to that node.
- The approach is as follows:
  - a) Select an unvisited node and make it as a current node and add it to the visitors list.
  - b) For its unvisited neighbor, make the neighbor as the current node and add it to the visitors list.
  - c) If the current node has no unvisited neighbors, backtrack to the parent node and make that as the current node.
  - d) Repeat (b) and (c) until no more nodes can be visited.

## **DFS Algorithm**

```
DFS_Util(visited, Adj, u) {
 visited[u] = true
  //Print the traversed node here
 for each v \in Adj[u] {
   if visited[v] == false
      DFS Util(visited, Adj, v)
DFS (Adj, N) {
//Create G: the list of nodes, example: If number of nodes is 4,
then G is [1,2,3,4]
//Define Visited Vector of length equal to number of nodes
  For each values in Visited Vector{
   visited[u] = false
  For each u \in G \{
   if visited[u]==false
      DFS Util(visited, Adj, u)
```

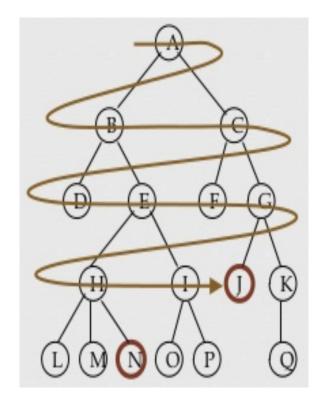
```
Main()
{
//Take user input number of nodes
// Create an adjacency list (can be a vector or linked list).
DFS(Adj, N))
}
```

#### Time Complexity:

O(V+E) where V is a number of vertices in the graph and E is a number of edges in the graph.

## **Breadth First Search**

- BFS is an algorithm to traverse the tree or graph data structure.
- It uses Queue data structure for implementation.
- The algorithm starts with an arbitrary node and travels level by level until all the nodes are visited.
- The approach is as follows:
  - a) Select an unvisited node and Enqueue it and add it to the visitors list.
  - b) Iterate the queue until it is empty, pop the node from the queue and add its neighbors to the Queue and visitors list.
  - c) Repeat (b) until Queue is empty.



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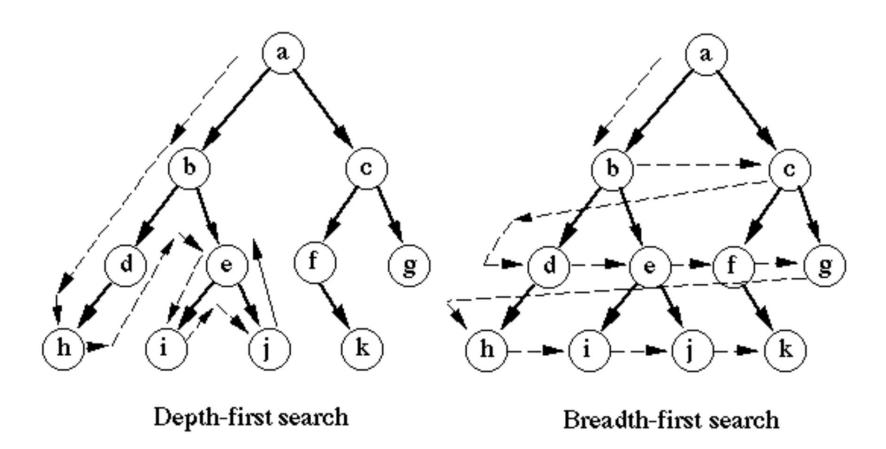
# **BFS Algorithm**

```
BFS(N, Adj, u) {
 create a queue Q
 visited[u] = true
 add u to the queue Q
 while Q is non-empty {
     remove the head u of Q
     //Print u required for the traversal.
     visited[u] = true
     for each v \in Adj[u] {
         if visited[v] == false {
           visited[v]=true
            Enqueue the vertex v
main () {
 BFS(N, Adj, startNode)
```

### **Time Complexity:**

O(V+E) where V is a number of vertices in the graph and E is a number of edges in the graph.

# BFS vs DFS traversal



## Lab Assignment

#### **Hints and Coding Guidelines:**

Note: Graph is an undirected graph.

#### **DFS**:

- Create a main function which accepts number of nodes and adjacency list.
- Adjacency list can be a vector, linked list or matrix.
- To create adjacency list, use a function addEdge that adds edges in both direction since we are considering undirected graph.
- Create a function DFS which accepts these two inputs as arguments. Create a Boolean array/vector to track the
  visited nodes.
- You can implement the DFS algorithm using Recursive method or by using a Stack to store the current nodes.

#### BFS:

- Create a main function which accepts number of nodes, adjacency list and start node as inputs.
- Adjacency list can be a vector or linked list or matrix.
- Create a function BFS which accepts these three inputs as arguments. Create a Boolean array/vector to track the
  visited nodes.
- Create a Queue (you are allowed to use built-in Queue. Do not implement Queue from scratch) which stores the current nodes and its unvisited neighbors.

# Questions?