

GRAPH - BFS Usage

A DFS visit every node exactly once in some order but, BFS does the same but can also solve shortest Path Problem in an unweighted graph.

Application :-

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| 1) Reachability |] Use of BFS
but can also be done by DFS |
| 2) Component Numbering | |
| 3) Bi-partite | |
| 4) Cycles | |
| 5) Topological sort |] Use of BFS |
| 6) Shortest Path | |

Pseudocode :-

BFS (n) :

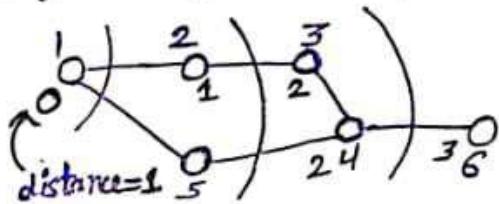
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q.push (n)
while (! q.empty ()) {
    cur = q.front ();
    q.pop ();
    if (visited [cur]) continue;
    visited [cur] = 1;
    for v in neighbours [cur] {
        if (!visited [v])
            q.push [v];
    }
}

```

Use a Queue (not recursion like DFS)

• Layered Exploration of BFS



Distance = min no. of edges b/w two nodes.

Ex:- Node 3 has distance 2 from node 1.

Queue order : $1 \rightarrow (2, 5) \rightarrow (3, 4) \rightarrow (6)$

Execution start at 1.

Distances :

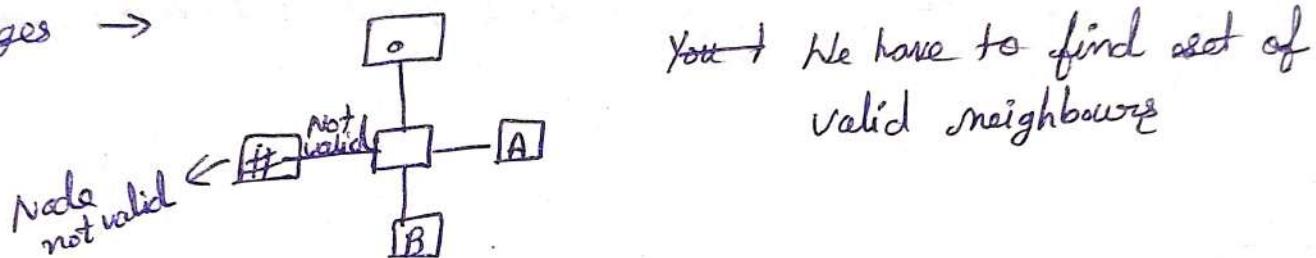
- Node 1 $\rightarrow 0$
- Node 2, 5 $\rightarrow 1$
- Node 3, 4 $\rightarrow 2$
- Node 6 $\rightarrow 3$

* BFS is better for distance finding due to layered exploration.

Q1. Labyrinth [CSES Task 1193]

Only valid nodes are 'A', 'B' & 'o'.

Edges →



* Creating a graph is very difficult here. So we will not use graph here. We can easily map this.

```
#include<bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

const int INF = 100;
using state = pair<int,int>;
#define F first
#define S second

int n,m;
vector<string> arr;

vector<vector<int>> vis,dist;

int dx[] = {0,1,0,-1};
int dy[] = {1,0,-1,0};

bool inside(int x,int y){
    if(0<=x&&x<n&&0<=y&&y<m) return 1;
    else return 0;
}

vector<state> valid_neighbours(state cur){
    vector<state> res;
    for(int dir = 0;dir<4;dir++){
        int nx = cur.F + dx[dir];
        int ny = cur.S + dy[dir];
        if(inside(nx,ny)) res.push_back({nx,ny});
    }
    return res;
}
```

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vector<state> valid_neighbours(state cur){  
    vector<state> res;  
    for(int dir = 0; dir < 4; dir++){  
        int nx = cur.F + dx[dir];  
        int ny = cur.S + dy[dir];  
        if(isInside(nx,ny) && arr[nx][ny] != '#'){  
            res.push_back(make_pair(nx,ny));  
        }  
    }  
    return res;  
  
}  
  
void printer(){  
    for(int i=0;i<n;i++){  
        for(int j=0;j<m;j++){  
            cout<<cdist[i][j]<<" ";  
        }  
        cout<<endl;  
    }  
    cout<<endl;  
}
```

```
void bfs(state st){
    vis = vector<vector<int>>(n, vector<int>(m, 0));
    dist = vector<vector<int>>(n, vector<int>(m, INF));

    queue<state> q;
    // Add source
    q.push(st);
    dist[st.F][st.S]=0;
    // Start BFS
    while(!q.empty()){
        state cur = q.front(); q.pop();
        if(vis[cur.F][cur.S]) continue;

        // Explore
        vis[cur.F][cur.S]=1;
        for(state v:valid_neighbours(cur))
            if(!vis[v.F][v.S] && dist[v.F][v.S] > dist[cur.F][cur.S]+1){
                q.push(v);
                dist[v.F][v.S] = dist[cur.F][cur.S]+1;
            }
    }

    // cout<<cur.F<<" "<<cur.S<<endl;
    // system("PAUSE");
}
```

```
void solve(){
    cin>>n>>m;
    arr.resize(n);
    for(int i=0;i<n;i++){
        cin >> arr[i];
    }
    state st,en;
    for(int i=0;i<n;i++){
        for(int j=0;j<m;j++){
            if(arr[i][j]=='A')st={i,j};
            else if(arr[i][j]=='B')en={i,j};
        }
    }
    bfs(st);
    printer();
    if(dist[en.F][en.S]==INF){
        cout<<"NO\n";
    }else{
        cout<<"YES\n";
        cout<<dist[en.F][en.S]<<endl;
    }
}
```

Path Pointing

How do we tweak above algorithm to include path also?

→ Changes in bfs funcⁿ

```

void bfs(state st){
    vis = vector<vector<int>>(n, vector<int>(m, 0));
    dist = vector<vector<int>>(n, vector<int>(m, INF));
    par = vector<vector<state>>(n, vector<state>(m, {-1, -1})); 
    queue<state> q;
    // Add source
    q.push(st);
    dist[st.F][st.S]=0;
    // Start BFS
    while(!q.empty()){
        state cur = q.front(); q.pop();
        if(vis[cur.F][cur.S]) continue;

        // Explore
        vis[cur.F][cur.S]=1;
        for(state v:valid_neighbours(cur)){
            if(!vis[v.F][v.S] && dist[v.F][v.S] > dist[cur.F][cur.S]+1){
                q.push(v);
                dist[v.F][v.S] = dist[cur.F][cur.S]+1;
                par[v.F][v.S] = cur;
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```
bfs(lst);
if(dist[en.F][en.S]==INFINITE)
    cout<<"NO\n";
else{
    cout<<"YES\n";
    cout<<dist[en.F][en.S]<<endl;
    state cur = en;
    vector<state> path;
    while(cur!=make_pair(-1,-1))
        pair.push_back(cur);
        cur = par[cur.F][cur.S];
    for(auto v:path){
        cout<<v.F<<" "<<v.S<<endl;
    }
}
```

```
void solve(){
    cin>>n>>m;
    arr.resize(n);
    for(int i=0;i<n;i++){
        cin >> arr[i];
    }
    state st,en;
    for(int i=0;i<n;i++){
        for(int j=0;j<m;j++){
            if(arr[i][j]=='A')st={i,j};
            else if(arr[i][j]=='B')en={i,j};
        }
    }
    bfs(st);
    if(dist[en.F][en.S]==INF){
        cout<<"NO\n";
    }else{
        cout<<"YES\n";
        cout<<dist[en.F][en.S]<<endl;
    }
    state cur = en;
    vector<state> path;
    while(cur!=make_pair(-1,-1)){

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```
vector<state> path;
while(cur!=make_pair(-1,-1)){
    path.push_back(cur);
    cur = par[cur.F][cur.S];
}

reverse(path.begin(),path.end());
for(int i=1;i<path.size();i++){
    int cx = path[i].F-path[i-1].F;
    int cy = path[i].S-path[i-1].S;
    if(cx==1)cout<<"D";
    else if(cx==-1)cout<<"U";
    else if(cy==1)cout<<"R";
    else cout<<"L";
}
```