

Assignment - 1.

Aim :

Implement depth first search algorithm and breadth first search algorithm. Use an undirected graph and develop a recursive algorithm for searching all the vertices of a graph or tree data structure.

Theory : 1. Breadth First Search :

- BFS is the most common search strategy for traversing a tree or graph. This algorithm searches breadthwise in a tree or graph, so it is called breadth first search.
- BFS algorithm starts searching from the root node of the tree and expands all successor node at the tree and expands all successor node at the current level before moving to the node of next level.
- BFS is an example of a general graph search algorithm.
- BFS implemented using FIFO queue data structure.
- Aim of BFS is to traverse the graph as close as possible to root node.

Advantage :

BFS will find the shortest path between the starting point and any other reachable node. A depth first search will not necessarily find the shortest path.

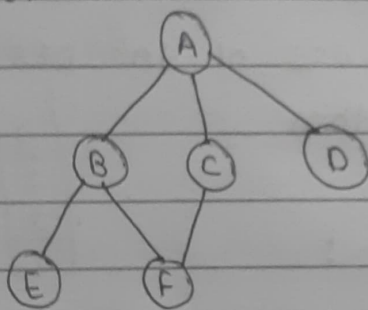
• Disadvantage

A BFS on a binary tree generally requires more memory than a DFS. If a solution is far away then it consumes time.

Applications of BFS :

1. Finding the shortest path
2. Checking graph with pettiness
3. Copying Cheney's algorithm.

Example of BFS



Start node : A

Goal node : D

visited [A]

Queue [B, C, D]

visited [A, B]

Queue [C, D, E, F]

visited [A, B, C]

Queue [D, E, F]

visited [A, B, C, D]

Queue [

Goal : D

2. Depth search algorithm

- DFS is recursive algorithm for traversing a tree or graph data structure.
- It is called depth first because it starts from root node and follows each path to its greatest depth node before moving to next path.
- DFS uses a stack data structure for its implementation.
- The process of the DFS algorithm is similar to the BFS algorithm.

Advantage :

The memory requirement is linear w.r.t nodes. It require less time and space complexity rather than BFS. The solution can be found out without much more search.

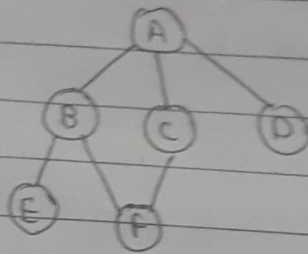
Disadvantage :

Not guaranteed that will give you a solution. Cut off depth is smaller so time complexity is more.

Applications of DFS :

1. Finding connected components.
2. Topological sorting
3. Finding bridges of the graph.

• Example of DFS



Start node : A

Goal node : D

visited : [A]

Stack :

B
C
D

visited : [A, B]

Stack :

E
F
C
D

visited : [A, B, E]

Stack :

F
C
D

visited : [A, B, E, F]

Stack :

C
D

visited : [A, B, E, F, C]

Stack : [D]

visited : [A, B, E, F, C, D]

Stack : Empty

Goal : D

Path : A → B → E → F → D

Algorithm :

1. Breadth First Search

Step 1 : Push the root node in the queue

Step 2 : Loop until the queue is empty

Step 3 : Remove the node from the queue

Step 4 : IF the removed node has unvisited child nodes, mark them as visited and insert the unvisited children in the queue.

2. Depth first search.

Step 1 : Push the root node in the stack

Step 2 : Loop until stack is empty

Step 3 : Peek the node of the stack.

Step 4 : IF the node has unvisited child nodes get the unvisited child node, mark it as traversed and push it on stack.

Step 5 : IF the node does not have any unvisited child nodes, pop the node from the stack.

Conclusion Implementation of BFS and DFS is done.