Week 07: Graph Algorithms 1

Graph Algorithms

Problems on Graphs

What kind of problems do we want to solve on/via graphs?

- is the graph fully-connected?
- can we remove an edge and keep it fully-connected?
- is one vertex reachable starting from some other vertex?
- what is the cheapest cost path from v to w?
- which vertices are reachable from v? (transitive closure)
- is there a cycle that passes through all vertices? (circuit)
- is there a tree that links all vertices? (spanning tree)
- what is the minimum spanning tree?
- ..
- can a graph be drawn in a plane with no crossing edges? (planar graphs)
- are two graphs "equivalent"? (isomorphism)

Graph Algorithms

In this course we examine algorithms for

- connectivity (simple graphs)
- path finding (simple/directed graphs)
- minimum spanning trees (weighted graphs)
- shortest path (weighted graphs)

and look at generic methods for traversing graphs.

We begin with one of the simplest graph traversals ...

Graph Traversal

Finding a Path

Questions on paths:

- is there a path between two given vertices (src,dest)?
- what is the sequence of vertices from *src* to *dest*?

Approach to solving problem:

- examine vertices adjacent to src
- if any of them is *dest*, then done
- otherwise try vertices two edges from v

• repeat looking further and further from v

Two strategies for graph traversal/search: depth-first, breadth-first

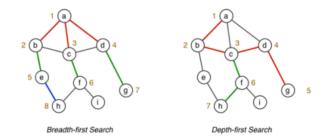
- DFS follows one path to completion before considering others
- BFS "fans-out" from the starting vertex ("spreading" subgraph)

... Finding a Path

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Comparison of BFS/DFS search for checking if there is a path from a to h ...



Both approaches ignore some edges by remembering previously visited vertices.

... Finding a Path

Depth-first ...

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- favour following path rather than neighbours
- can be implemented recursively or iteratively (via stack)
- full traversal produces a depth-first spanning tree

Breadth-first ...

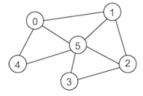
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Exercise #1: Traversal-induced Spanning Trees

A spanning tree of a graph

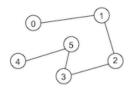
- includes all vertices
- uses a subset of edges, without cycles

Show the DFS and BFS spanning trees for the graph below, starting with 0:

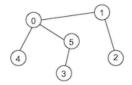


Consider neighbours in ascending order

Answer:







BFS spanning tree

Depth-first Search

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Depth-first search can be described recursively as

depthFirst(G, v):

- 1. mark v as visited
- for each (v,w)∈edges(G) do
 if w has not been visited then
 depthFirst(w)

The recursion induces backtracking

... Depth-first Search

Recursive DFS path checking

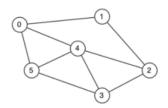
else if w has not been visited then

```
if dfsPathCheck(G,w,dest) then
    return true  // found path via w to dest
end if
end if
end for
return false  // no path from v to dest
```

Exercise #2: Depth-first Traversal (i)

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Trace the execution of dfsPathCheck(G, 0, 5) on:



Consider neighbours in ascending order

Answer:

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0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5

... Depth-first Search

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Cost analysis:

- each vertex visited at most once \Rightarrow cost = O(V)
- visit all edges incident on visited vertices \Rightarrow cost = O(E)
 - o assuming an adjacency list representation

Time complexity of DFS: O(V+E) (adjacency list representation)

... Depth-first Search

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Knowing whether a path exists can be useful

Knowing what the path is even more useful

⇒ record the previously visited node as we search through the graph (so that we can then trace path through graph)

Make use of global variable:

• visited[] ... array to store previously visited node, for each node being visited

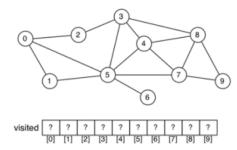
... Depth-first Search

```
visited[] // store previously visited node, for each vertex 0..nV-1
findPath(G,src,dest):
   Input graph G, vertices src, dest
   for all vertices v∈G do
      visited[v]=-1
   end for
  visited[src]=src
                                     // starting node of the path
  if dfsPathCheck(G,src,dest) then // show path in dest..src order
     v=dest
     while v≠src do
         print v"-"
         v=visited[v]
     end while
     print src
   end if
dfsPathCheck(G,v,dest):
   for all (v,w) \in edges(G) do
     if visited[w]=-1 then
         visited[w]=v
         if w=dest then
                                     // found edge from v to dest
            return true
         else if dfsPathCheck(G,w,dest) then
                                     // found path via w to dest
            return true
         end if
     end if
   end for
   return false
                                     // no path from v to dest
```

Exercise #3: Depth-first Traversal (ii)

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Show the DFS order in which we visit vertices in this graph when searching for a path from 0 to 6:



Consider neighbours in ascending order

0	0	3	5	3	1	5	4	7	8
[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]

Path: 6-5-1-0

```
... Depth-first Search
```

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DFS can also be described non-recursively (via a stack):
visited[] // array of visiting orders, indexed by vertex 0..nV-1
findPathDFS(G,src,dest):
   Input graph G, vertices src,dest
   for all vertices v∈G do
      visited[v]=-1
  end for
  found=false
  visited[src]=src
  push src onto new stack s
  while ¬found ∧ s is not empty do
      pop v from s
      for each (v,w)∈edges(G) do
         if visited[w]=-1 then
            visited[w]=v
            if w=dest then
               found=true
            else
               push w onto s
            end if
         end if
      end for
   end while
   if found then
      display path in dest..src order
```

Uses standard stack operations (push, pop, check if empty)

Time complexity is the same: O(V+E) (each vertex added to stack once, each element in vertex's adjacency list visited once)

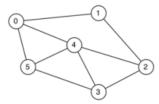
Exercise #4: Depth-first Traversal (iii)

end if

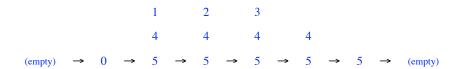
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Show how the stack evolves when executing findPathDFS(g,0,5) on:



Push neighbours in descending order ... so they get popped in ascending order



Breadth-first Search

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Basic approach to breadth-first search (BFS):

- visit and mark current vertex
- visit all neighbours of current vertex
- then consider neighbours of neighbours

Notes:

- tricky to describe recursively
- a minor variation on non-recursive DFS search works
 - \Rightarrow switch the *stack* for a *queue*

... Breadth-first Search

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BFS algorithm (records visiting order):

dequeue v from q

```
visited[\ ] \ \textit{// array of visiting orders, indexed by vertex } \ 0..nV-1
```

```
findPathBFS(G,src,dest):
    Input graph G, vertices src,dest
    for all vertices veG do
       visited[v]=-1
    end for
```

```
found=false
visited[src]=src
enqueue src into new queue q
while ¬found ∧ q is not empty do
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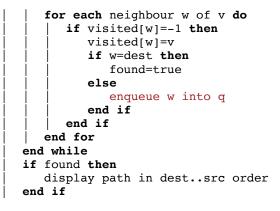
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BFS finds a "shortest" path
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... Breadth-first Search

- based on minimum # edges between src and dest.
- stops with first-found path, if there are multiple ones

In many applications, edges are weighted and we want path

Time complexity of BFS: O(V+E) (same as DFS)



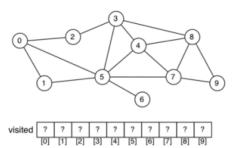
Uses standard queue operations (enqueue, dequeue, check if empty)

Exercise #5: Breadth-first Traversal

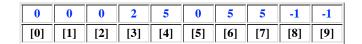
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Show the BFS order in which we visit vertices in this graph when searching for a path from 0 to 6:



Consider neighbours in ascending order



Path: 6-5-0

• based on minimum sum-of-weights along path src .. dest

We discuss weighted/directed graphs later.

Other DFS Examples

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Other problems to solve via DFS graph search

- checking for the existence of a cycle
- determining which connected component each vertex is in



Graph with two connected components, a path and a cycle

Exercise #6: Buggy Cycle Check

A graph has a cycle if

- it has a path of length > 1
- with start vertex src = end vertex dest
- and without using any edge more than once

We are not required to give the path, just indicate its presence.

The following DFS cycle check has two bugs. Find them.

- 1. Only one connected component is checked.
- 2. The loop

```
for each (v,w)∈edges(G) do
```

should exclude the neighbour of v from which you just came, so as to prevent a single edge w-v from being classified as a cycle.

Computing Connected Components

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Problems:

- how many connected subgraphs are there?
- are two vertices in the same connected subgraph?

Both of the above can be solved if we can

- build an array, one element for each vertex V
- indicating which connected component V is in
- componentOf[] ... array [0..nV-1] of component IDs

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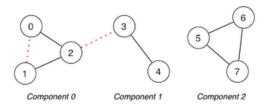
Algorithm to assign vertices to connected components:

```
components(G):
  Input graph G
  for all vertices v∈G do
      componentOf[v]=-1
  end for
  compID=0
  for all vertices v∈G do
      if componentOf[v]=-1 then
         dfsComponents(G,v,compID)
         compID=compID+1
     end if
   end for
dfsComponents(G, v, id):
   componentOf[v]=id
  for all vertices w adjacent to v do
      if componentOf[w]=-1 then
         dfsComponents(G,w,id)
      end if
   end for
```

Exercise #7: Connected components

Trace the execution of the algorithm

- 1. on the graph shown below
- 2. on the same graph but with the dotted edges added



Consider neighbours in ascending order

1.

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	
-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
0	-1	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
0	0	0	1	-1	-1	-1	-1	
0	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	

2..

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]
-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
0	0	0	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1

... Computing Connected Components

Consider an application where connectivity is critical

- we frequently ask questions of the kind above
- but we cannot afford to run components () each time

Add a new fields to the GraphRep structure:

... Computing Connected Components

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With this structure, the above tasks become trivial:

```
// How many connected subgraphs are there?
int nConnected(Graph g) {
    return g->nC;
}
// Are two vertices in the same connected subgraph?
bool inSameComponent(Graph g, Vertex v, Vertex w) {
    return (g->cc[v] == g->cc[w]);
}
```

Consider maintenance of such a graph representation:

- initially, nC = nV (because no edges)
- adding an edge may reduce nC
- removing an edge may increase nC
- cc[] can simplify path checking (ensure v, w are in same component before starting search)

Additional maintenance cost amortised by reduced cost for nConnected() and inSameComponent()

Hamiltonian and Euler Paths

Hamiltonian Path and Circuit

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Hamiltonian path problem:

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- find a simple path connecting two vertices v,w in graph G
- such that the path includes each *vertex* exactly once

If v = w, then we have a *Hamiltonian circuit*

Simple to state, but difficult to solve (NP-complete)

Many real-world applications require you to visit all vertices of a graph:

• Travelling salesman

• Bus routes

Problem named after Irish mathematician, physicist and astronomer Sir William Rowan Hamilton (1805 - 1865)

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Graph and two possible Hamiltonian paths:







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Approach:

- generate all possible simple paths (using e.g. DFS)
- keep a counter of vertices visited in current path
- stop when find a path containing V vertices

Can be expressed via a recursive DFS algorithm

- similar to simple path finding approach, except
 - keeps track of path length; succeeds if length = v
 - resets "visited" marker after unsuccessful path

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Algorithm for finding Hamiltonian path:

visited[] // array [0..nV-1] to keep track of visited vertices

hasHamiltonianPath(G,src,dest):

```
for all vertices v \in G do
   visited[v]=false
end for
return hamiltonR(G, src, dest, #vertices(G)-1)
```

hamiltonR(G,v,dest,d):

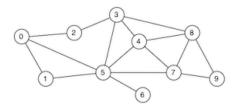
```
Input G
           current vertex considered
      dest destination vertex
           distance "remaining" until path found
if v=dest then
```

```
if d=0 then return true else return false
else
   visited[v]=true
   for each (v,w) \in edges(G) \land \neg visited[w] do
      if hamiltonR(G,w,dest,d-1) then
         return true
      end if
  end for
end if
visited[v]=false
                             // reset visited mark
return false
```

Exercise #8: Hamiltonian Path

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Trace the execution of the algorithm when searching for a Hamiltonian path from 1 to 6:



Consider neighbours in ascending order

1-0-2-3-4-5-6	d≠0
1-0-2-3-4-5-7-8-9	no unvisited neighbour
1-0-2-3-4-5-7-9-8	no unvisited neighbour
1-0-2-3-4-7-5-6	d≠0
1-0-2-3-4-7-8-9	no unvisited neighbour
1-0-2-3-4-7-9-8	no unvisited neighbour
1-0-2-3-4-8-7-5-6	d≠0
1-0-2-3-4-8-7-9	no unvisited neighbour
1-0-2-3-4-8-9-7-5-6	✓

Repeat on your own with src=0 and dest=6

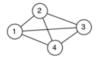
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Analysis: worst case requires (V-1)! paths to be examined

Consider a graph with isolated vertex and the rest fully-connected





Checking has Hamiltonian Path(g, 0, x) for any x

- requires us to consider every possible path
- e.g 1-2-3-4, 1-2-4-3, 1-3-2-4, 1-3-4-2, 1-4-2-3, ...
- starting from any x, there are 3! paths \Rightarrow 4! total paths
- there is no path of length 5 in these (V-1)! possibilities

There is no known simpler algorithm for this task $\Rightarrow NP$ -hard.

Note, however, that the above case could be solved in constant time if we had a fast check for 0 and x being in the same connected component

Euler Path and Circuit

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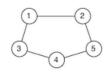
Euler path problem:

- find a path connecting two vertices v,w in graph G
- such that the path includes each edge exactly once
 (note: the path does not have to be simple ⇒ can visit vertices more than once)

If v = w, the we have an Euler circuit



Euler Path: 4-3-1-5-2-1



Euler Circuit: 1-2-5-4-3-1

Many real-world applications require you to visit all edges of a graph:

- Postman
- Garbage pickup
- ...

... Euler Path and Circuit

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Problem named after Swiss mathematician, physicist, astronomer, logician and engineer Leonhard Euler (1707 - 1783)

Based on a circuitous route via bridges in Konigsberg

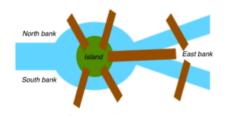


Exercise #9: Euler Path

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Is there a way to cross all the bridges of Konigsberg exactly once on a walk through the town?

• treat land as nodes; bridges as edges



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Bridges as graph

No

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One possible "brute-force" approach:

- check for each path if it's an Euler path
- would result in factorial time performance

Can develop a better algorithm by exploiting:

Theorem. A graph has an Euler circuit if and only if it is connected and all vertices have even degree

Theorem. A graph has a non-circuitous Euler path if and only if it is connected and exactly two vertices have odd degree

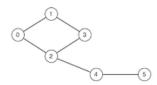
Exercise #10: Eulerian Graphs

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Graphs with an Euler path are often called Eulerian Graphs

Which of these two graphs have an Euler path? an Euler circuit?





No Euler circuit

Only the second graph has an Euler path, e.g. 2-0-1-3-2-4-5

... Euler Path and Circuit

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Assume the existence of degree (g, v) (degree of a vertex, cf. problem set week 6)

Algorithm to check whether a graph has an Euler path:

```
hasEulerPath(G,src,dest):
```

```
Input graph G, vertices src,dest
Output true if G has Euler path from src to dest
       false otherwise
if src≠dest then
  if degree(G,src) is even V degree(G,dest) is even then
      return false
   end if
else if degree(G,src) is odd then
   return false
end if
for all vertices v \in G do
  if v≠src ∧ v≠dest ∧ degree(G,v) is odd then
      return false
  end if
end for
return true
```

... Euler Path and Circuit

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Analysis of hasEulerPath algorithm:

assume that connectivity is already checked

- assume that degree is available via O(1) lookup
- single loop over all vertices $\Rightarrow O(V)$

If degree requires iteration over vertices

- cost to compute degree of a single vertex is O(V)
- overall cost is $O(V^2)$

⇒ problem tractable, even for large graphs (unlike Hamiltonian path problem)

For the keen, a linear-time (in the number of edges, E) algorithm to compute an Euler path is described in [Sedgewick] Ch.17.7.

Directed Graphs

Directed Graphs (Digraphs)

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In our previous discussion of graphs:

- an edge indicates a relationship between two vertices
- an edge indicates nothing more than a relationship

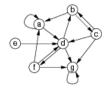
In many real-world applications of graphs:

- edges are directional $(v \rightarrow w \neq w \rightarrow v)$
- edges have a *weight* (cost to go from $v \rightarrow w$)

... Directed Graphs (Digraphs)

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Example digraph and adjacency matrix representation:



Undirectional ⇒ symmetric matrix Directional ⇒ non-symmetric matrix

Maximum #edges in a digraph with V vertices: V²

... Directed Graphs (Digraphs)

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Terminology for digraphs ...

Directed path: sequence of $n \ge 2$ vertices $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow ... \rightarrow v_n$

• where $(v_i, v_{i+1}) \in edges(G)$ for all v_i, v_{i+1} in sequence

• if $v_1 = v_n$, we have a *directed cycle*

Degree of vertex: $deg(v) = number of edges of the form <math>(v, _) \in edges(G)$

• Indegree of vertex: $deg^{-1}(v)$ = number of edges of the form $(_, v) \in edges(G)$

Reachability: w is reachable from v if \exists directed path v,...,w

Strong connectivity: every vertex is reachable from every other vertex

Directed acyclic graph (DAG): graph containing no directed cycles

Digraph Applications

Potential application areas:

Domain	Vertex	Edge
Web	web page	hyperlink
scheduling	task	precedence
chess	board position	legal move
science	journal article	citation
dynamic data	malloc'd object	pointer
programs	function	function call
make	file	dependency

... Digraph Applications

Problems to solve on digraphs:

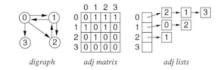
- is there a directed path from s to t? (transitive closure)
- what is the shortest path from s to t? (shortest path)
- are all vertices mutually reachable? (strong connectivity)
- how to organise a set of tasks? (topological sort)
- which web pages are "important"? (PageRank)
- how to build a web crawler? (graph traversal)

Digraph Representation

Similar set of choices as for undirectional graphs:

- array of edges (directed)
- vertex-indexed adjacency matrix (non-symmetric)
- vertex-indexed adjacency lists

V vertices identified by 0 ... V-1



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Costs of representations: (where degree deg(v) = #edges leaving v)

	array of edges	adjacency matrix	adjacency list
space usage	E	V^2	V+E
insert edge	E	1	1
exists edge (v,w)?	E	1	deg(v)
get edges leaving v	E	V	deg(v)

Overall, adjacency list representation is best

- real graphs tend to be sparse (large number of vertices, small average degree deg(v))
- algorithms frequently iterate over edges from v

Reachability

Transitive Closure

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Given a digraph G it is potentially useful to know

• is vertex *t* reachable from vertex *s*?

Example applications:

- can I complete a schedule from the current state?
- is a malloc'd object being referenced by any pointer?

How to compute transitive closure?

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One possibility:

- implement it via hasPath(G,s,t) (itself implemented by DFS or BFS algorithm)
- feasible if reachable(G,s,t) is infrequent operation

What if we have an algorithm that frequently needs to check rechability?

Would be very convenient/efficient to have:

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reachable(G,s,t):
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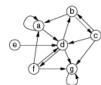
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return G.tc[s][t] // transitive closure matrix
```

Of course, if V is very large, then this is not feasible.

Exercise #11: Transitive Closure Matrix

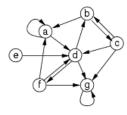
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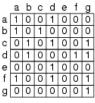
Which reachable s .. t exist in the following graph?



	а	b	С	d	9	f	g
а	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
b	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
С	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
d	0	1	0	0	0	1	1
9	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
f	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
g	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

Transitive closure of example graph:





adjacency matrix

	а	b	С	d	е	f	g
а	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
b	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
С	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
d	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
е	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
f	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
g	1	1	1	1	0	1	1

transitive closure

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Goal: produce a matrix of reachability values

- if tc[s][t] is 1, then t is reachable from s
- if tc[s][t] is 0, then t is not reachable from s

So, how to create this matrix?

Observation:

```
\forall i.s.t \in \text{vertices}(G):
  (s,i) \in \text{edges}(G) \land (i,t) \in \text{edges}(G) \implies tc[s][t] = 1
```

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If we implement the above as:

```
make tc[][] a copy of edges[][]
for all i∈vertices(G) do
   for all s∈vertices(G) do
      for all t∈vertices(G) do
         if tc[s][i]=1 \land tc[i][t]=1 then
            tc[s][t]=1
         end if
      end for
   end for
end for
```

tc[s][t]=1 if there is a path from s to t of length 2 $(s \rightarrow i \rightarrow t)$

then we get an algorithm to convert edges into a tc

This is known as Warshall's algorithm

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How it works ...

After iteration 1, tc[s][t] is 1 if

• either $s \rightarrow t$ exists or $s \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow t$ exists

After iteration 2, tc[s][t] is 1 if any of the following exist

• $s \rightarrow t$ or $s \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow t$ or $s \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow t$ or $s \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow t$ or $s \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 0 \rightarrow t$

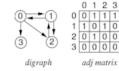
Etc. ... so after the V^{th} iteration, tc[s][t] is 1 if

• there is any directed path in the graph from s to t

Exercise #12: Transitive Closure

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Trace Warshall's algorithm on the following graph:



```
1^{st} iteration i=0:
```

tc	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	0	1	1	1
[1]	1	1	1	1
[2]	0	1	0	0
[3]	0	0	0	0

2^{nd} iteration i=1:

tc	[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
[0]	1	1	1	1
[1]	1	1	1	1
[2]	1	1	1	1
[3]	0	0	0	0

3rd iteration i=2: unchaged

4th iteration i=3: unchanged

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Cost analysis:

• storage: additional V^2 items (each item may be 1 bit)

• computation of transitive closure: V^3

• computation of reachable(): O(1) after having generated tc[][]

Amortization: would need many calls to reachable () to justify other costs

Alternative: use DFS in each call to reachable() Cost analysis:

- storage: cost of queue and set during reachable
- computation of reachable (): cost of DFS = $O(V^2)$ (for adjacency matrix)

Digraph Traversal

Same algorithms as for undirected graphs:

depthFirst(v):

- 1. mark v as visited
- for each (v,w)∈edges(G) do
 if w has not been visitied then
 depthFirst(w)

breadth-first(v):

```
    enqueue v
    while queue not empty do
        dequeue v
        if v not already visited then
        mark v as visited
        enqueue each vertex w adjacent to v
```

Example: Web Crawling

Goal: visit every page on the web

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Solution: breadth-first search with "implicit" graph

visit scans page and collects e.g. keywords and links

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Goal: determine which Web pages are "important"

Approach: ignore page contents; focus on hyperlinks

- treat Web as graph: page = vertex, hyperlink = di-edge
- pages with many incoming hyperlinks are important
- need to computing "incoming degree" for vertices

Problem: the Web is a very large graph

• approx. 10^{14} pages, 10^{15} hyperlinks

Assume for the moment that we could build a graph ...

Most frequent operation in algorithm "Does edge (v,w) exist?"

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Simple PageRank algorithm:

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Note: requires inbound link check (not outbound as assumed above for cost of representation)

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V = # pages in Web, E = # hyperlinks in Web

Costs for computing PageRank for each representation:

Representation	linkExists(v,w)	Cost
Adjacency matrix	edge[v][w]	1
Adjacency lists	inLL(list[v],w)	≅ E/V

Not feasible ...

end for

- adjacency matrix ... $V = 10^{14} \Rightarrow$ matrix has 10^{28} cells
- adjacency list ... V lists, each with ≈ 10 hyperlinks $\Rightarrow 10^{15}$ list nodes

So how to really do it?

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Approach: the random web surfer

- if we randomly follow links in the web ...
- ... more likely to re-discover pages with many inbound links

Could be accomplished while we crawl web to build search index

Exercise #13: Implementing Facebook

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Facebook could be considered as a giant "social graph"

- what are the vertices?
- what are the edges?
- are edges directional?

What kind of algorithm would ...

• help us find people that you might like to "befriend"?

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Graph traversal

- o depth-first search (DFS)
- breadth-first search (BFS)
- o applications: path finding, connected components
- Hamiltonian paths/circuits, Euler paths/circuits
- Digraphs: representations, applications, reachability
- Suggested reading (Sedgewick):
 - Hamiltonian/Euler paths ... Ch.17.7
 - o Graph search ... Ch.18.1-18.3,18.7
 - o Digraphs ... Ch.19.1-19.3

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