Algorithms for Data Processing Lecture III: Graph Algorithms – Undirected Graphs

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Graph Representation: Size of the Input

- A Graph G = (V, E) has two natural parametres:
 - Number of nodes. n = |V|;
 - Number of edges. m = |E|.
- Running time/Space required will be given in terms of both of these two parameters.

Graph Representation: Adjacency Matrix

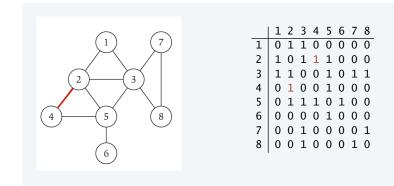
Adjacency Matrix. For a graph *G* with *n* vertices, is a $n \times n$ matrix with A[u, v] = 1 if (u, v) is an edge.

• Each edge is mentioned twice in the matrix when *G* is undirected, i.e., the matrix is symmetric.

Properties:

- **1** Search/Delete. Checking if (u, v) is an edge takes $\Theta(1)$ time.
- **2** Storage. Space required is $\Theta(n^2)$ —when the *G* has many fewer edges more compact representations are possible.
- **3** They are not efficient to check all incident edges which takes $\Theta(n)$ time.

Graph Representation: Adjacency Matrix



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Graph Representation: Adjacency List

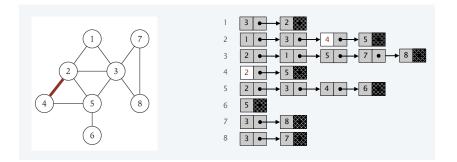
Adjacency list. Vertex-indexed array of lists.

- The array **Adj** when indexed with a vertex *v*, **Adj**[*v*], is a pointer to the list of all vertices adjacent to *v*.
- Each edge is mentioned twice (when *G* is undirected).

Properties:

- **1** Search/Delete. Checking if (u, v) is an edge takes $\Theta(\deg(u))$ time.
- **2** Storage. Space is $\Theta(m + n)$: Since each edge appears twice, and $2 \cdot m \in O(m)$, and we need an array of *n* pointers to initialize **Adj**.
 - ► Note. Since $m \le n^2$, $\Theta(m + n)$ is $O(n^2)$, i.e., much better when *G* is *sparse*.
- **3** Identifying all incident edges to v takes $\Theta(\deg(v))$ time better than $\Theta(n)$.

Graph Representation: Adjacency List



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Breadth-First Search (BFS)

- *s*-*t* connectivity problem (Reachability). Given two nodes, *s*, *t*, is there a path between *s* and *t*?
- BFS intuition. Explore outward from the vertex *s* in all possible directions, adding vertices one *layer* at a time.

$$s \leq L_1 = L_2 = \cdots = L_{n-1}$$

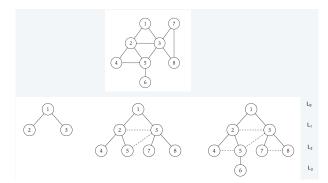
Layers L_1 , L_2 , L_3 , ... are constructed in the following way:

- **1** *L*₁ consists of all vertices adjacent to *s*;
- 2 L_{j+1} consists of all vertices that: *i*) Do not belong to an earlier layer, and *ii*) Are adjacent to a vertex in layer L_j .

BFS — Spanning Tree

- BFS traverses a connected component of an undirected graph containing *s*, and in doing so defines a spanning tree rooted at *s*.
- The path in the spanning tree from *s* to *v*, corresponds to a shortest path in *G*.

Example of a spanning tree rooted at vertex 1.



Breadth-First Search – Properties

Properties:

- BFS/P1 For each $j \ge 1$, layer L_j produced by BFS consists of all nodes at distance exactly j from s.
- BFS/P2 There is a path from *s* to *t* if and only if *t* appears in some layer.
- BFS/P3 Let T be a breadth-first spanning tree, let u, v be vertices in T belonging to layers L_i and L_j respectively, and let (u, v) be an edge of G. Then i and j differ by at most 1.

Implementing Breadth-First Search Data Structures

- The adjacency list data structure is ideal for implementing a BFS algorithm.
- The algorithm examines the edges incident on a given vertex *u* one by one using its adjacency list **Adj**[*u*].
- Array Discovered of length *n* stores whether or not vertex *u* has been previously discovered by the search.
- To maintain the vertices in a layer L_i , we have a list L[i], for each i = 0, 1, 2, ... and i < n 1.

Implementing Breadth-First Search/2

```
BFS(G,s)
       Discovered[s]=true;
       Discovered[u]=false, for all other u \in V;
       L[0]=s; layer counter i=0; spanning tree T=s;
       While L[i] \neq \emptyset
          Initialize an empty list L[i+1]
          For each node u \in L[i]
              For each edge (u,v) incident to u;
                  If Discovered[v]=false then
                     Discovered[v]=true;
                     Add edge (u,v) to tree T;
                     Add v to the list L[i+1]
                  Endlf
              EndFor
          EndFor
          i=i+1;
       Endwhile
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BFS Complexity

- The inner For-Loop takes $O(\deg(u))$ time for each vertex u;
- Thus, in total we need $O(\Sigma_{u \in V} \operatorname{deg}(u))$;
- From graph properties, $\Sigma_{u \in V} \operatorname{deg}(u) = 2 \cdot m$;
- Thus, $O(\Sigma_{u \in V} \operatorname{deg}(u)) = O(m)$;
- We need *O*(*n*) additional time to set up lists and manage the array Discovered;
- Finally, the BFS runs in O(m + n).

Depth-First Search (DFS)

- BFS visits vertices at increasing distances: starts with distance 1 from *s*, then those at distance 2, and so on.
- Depth-First Search (DFS): follows some path as deeply as possible into the graph before it is forced to backtrack.
- BFS and DFS both build the connected component containing *s* with a similar complexity.

DFS — Recursive version

```
DFS(G,u)

Explored[u]=true;

If u \neq s add edge (parent[u],u) to T;

for each edge (u,v) incident to u do

if Explored[v]=false then

parent[v] = u;

DFS(G,v)
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To apply this to *s*-*t connectivity*, we:

- Declare all vertices initially to be not explored;
- Initialize T to be a tree with root s;
- Invoke DFS(G,s).

Depth-First Search Tree

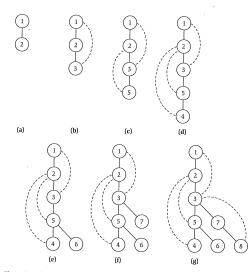


Figure 3.5 The construction of a depth-first search tree T for the graph in Figure 3.2, with (a) through (g) depicting the nodes as they are discovered in sequence. The solid edges are the edges of T the dotted edges are edges of G that do not belong to T.

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Depth-First Search Tree/2

- The spanning tree, also called depth-first search tree, generated by the DFS has a very different structure.
- The starting vertex *s* is the root of *T*;
- A vertex v is a child of u in T if DFS(G,v) is called directly during the call DFS(G,u).

DFS — Properties

- DFS/P1 For a given recursive call DFS(G,u), all nodes that are marked "Explored" between the invocation and the end of this recursive call are descendants of u in T.
- DFS/P2 Let T be a depth-first search tree, let u and v be two nodes in T, and let (u, v) be an edge of G that is not an edge of T. Then one of u or v is an ancestor of the other.

Depth-First Search – Iterative Algorithm

• Maintain the vertices to be processed in a stack: The recursive calls of DFS can be viewed as pushing vertices into a stack for later processing.

```
DFS(G,s)
Initialize S to be a stack with one element s:
Initialize T to be a tree with root s:
Initialize Explored[u] = false, for all v \in V;
while S \neq \emptyset do
   Pop a node u from S;
   if Explored[u] = false then
       Explored[u] = true;
       If u \neq s add edge (parent[u],u) to T;
       for each edge (u, v) incident to u do
           Push v to the stack S;
parent[v] = u
```

DFS Complexity

- The main step in the algorithm is to push and pop vertices to and from the stack *S*;
- How many elements ever get pushed (and thus popped) to S?
- Vertex v will be pushed to the stack S every time one of its **deg**(v) adjacent vertices is explored.
- Thus, in total we need $O(\Sigma_{u \in V} \operatorname{deg}(u)) = O(m)$;
- We need O(n) additional time to manage the array Explored;
- Finally, the DFS runs in O(m + n).

The Set of All Connected Components

Property: For any two nodes *s* and *t* in a graph, their connected components are either identical or disjoint.

To compute all connected components of a graph G:

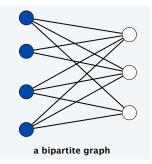
- **1** Start with an arbitrary node *s*, and, using BFS or DFS, generate its connected component;
- 2 Find a node v (if any) that was not visited by the previous search, and generate its connected component–which will be disjoint from the previous components.
- **3** Continue till all vertices have been visited.

Bipartite Graphs – 2-Colorability

Bipartite Graph: An undirected graph G = (V, E) is Bipartite (or, 2-Colorable) if the vertices can be colored blue or white such that every edge has one white and one blue end.

• Applications.

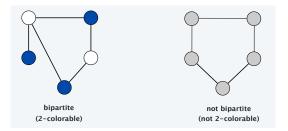
Matching: residents = blue, hospitals = white; Scheduling: machines = blue, jobs = white.



Bipartite Graphs – 2-Colorability/2

What can be an obstacle for a graph not to be bipartite?

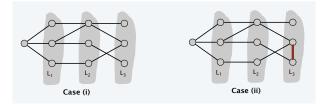
- For example, a triangle is not bipartite.
- Property. If a graph G is bipartite, it cannot contain an odd-length cycle.



Bipartite Graphs – Property

Lemma. Let *G* be a connected graph, and let $L_0, ..., L_k$ be the layers produced by BFS starting at vertex *s*. Exactly one of the following holds.

- 1 No edge of *G* connects two vertices of the same layer, and *G* is bipartite.
- An edge of G connects two vertices of the same layer, and G contains an odd-length cycle (and hence is not bipartite).

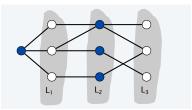


Bipartite Graphs – Property/2

1 No edge of *G* connects two vertices of the same layer, and *G* is bipartite.

Proof of (1).

- Suppose no edge connects two vertices in same layer.
- By [BFS/P3] property, each edge of the Graph connects two vertices in adjacent levels.
- Bipartition (2-Coloring): blue = vertices on even levels, white = vertices on odd levels.



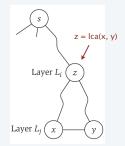
Bipartite Graphs – Property/3

- No edge of G connects two vertices of the same layer, and G is bipartite.
- An edge of G connects two vertices of the same layer, and G contains an odd-length cycle (and hence is not bipartite).

Pf. (ii)

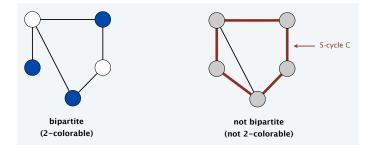
- Suppose (x, y) is an edge with x, y in same level L_j .
- Let z = lca(x, y) = lowest common ancestor.
- Let *L_i* be level containing *z*.
- Consider cycle that takes edge from *x* to *y*, then path from *y* to *z*, then path from *z* to *x*.

• Its length is
$$1 + (j-i) + (j-i)$$
, which is odd. •
(x, y) path from path from y to z z to x



The Only Obstruction to Bipartiteness

Corollary. A graph *G* is bipartite iff it contains no odd-length cycles.



Complexity of Bipartiteness: O(m + n).

What about the Algorithm?

Thank You!