

1 Breadth-First Search - Recap and alternative implementation (BFS) (CLRS §22.2)

BFS(s , Adj)

```

1 level = { s:0 }
2 parent = { s:None }
3 i = 1
4 frontier = [s]
5 while frontier not empty:
6     next = [ ]
7     for u in frontier
8         for v in Adj[u]
9             if v not in level
10                 level[v] = i
11                 parent[v] = u
12                 next.append(v)
13     frontier = next
14     i += 1

```

Runtime:

- For any vertex $u \in V$, each vertex v in $\text{Adj}[u]$ enters **next**, then **frontier** *only once* (since v is added to **level** right before it is added to **next**).
 - For each vertex $u \in V$, $\text{Adj}[u]$ is looped through exactly one time
 - $\sum_{u \in V} |\text{Adj}[u]| = \Theta(E)$
- Total runtime: $\Theta(V + E)$

Remarks.

- For all v , the path (v , $\text{parent}[v]$, $\text{parent}[\text{parent}[v]]$, \dots , s) in reverse is a shortest path from s to v of length $\text{level}[v]$
- The set of vertices we explored (all those reachable from s) together with the edges ($\text{parent}[v]$, v) for each v give a **BFS tree**

Example

Can't have edges from level i to level j for $j \geq i + 2$

2 Depth-First Search (DFS) (CLRS §22.3)

Idea:

Example

```
1
2
3 u.color =
4 for v in
5     if v.color ==
6         v.parent
7         DFS-VISIT
8 u.color =
9 time
10 u.f
```

We usually use DFS to learn something about the graph (as opposed to a vertex as in BFS). We therefore usually use:

```
1
2 for u in
3     u.color =
4     u.parent =
5 for u in
6     if u.color ==
7         DFS-VISIT
```

Runtime.

2.1 Edge Classification

Definition • **Tree edge**

• **Forward edge**

• **Backward edge**

• **Cross edge**

How can we detect what type of edge (u, v) is?

- Tree edge:
- Forward edge:
- Backward edge:
- Cross edge:

To distinguish forward from cross edge,

- In forward edge
- In cross edge

Example

Example

Theorem 22.10 In a DFS of an undirected graph G , every edge is either

In other words,

Proof.

Corollary. An undirected graph is acyclic if and only if

Proof.

What about directed graphs?

Theorem The vertex v is a descendant of u in the DFS forest if and only if

Proof idea.

Lemma 22.11 A directed graph is acyclic if and only if

Proof.

3 Topological Sort (CLRS §22.4)

Tasks to be performed where some tasks must be completed before others. E.g. prerequisites for courses.
Input is

Example

Definition

Algorithm.

Input:

1. Run
2. Output

Runtime.

Theorem. The given algorithm outputs

Proof.

4 Strongly Connected Components (SCC) (CLRS §22.5)

Example

Definition

Claim. The component graph is a DAG.

Proof.

Consider now DFS on the graph G . We can pretend that this DFS takes place in G^{SCC} , in the following sense: we say that

- a component is discovered when
- a component is finished when
- a component starts

Key lemma: The “pretend” DFS on G^{SCC} induced by the DFS on G is a valid DFS exploration of G^{SCC} .

Proof idea.

Observation. The last vertex to finish

We can now identify the entire left-most component by

SCC(G)

1. Call DFS(G) to compute
2. Call DFS(G^T) where in the main outer loop consider
3. Output

Runtime.

Example