

IE170: Algorithms in Systems Engineering: Lecture 16

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Graph Search Algorithms

- There are two “workhorse” algorithms for searching graphs that form the basis for many more complicated algorithms.
 - Breadth-First Search (BFS): Search “broadly”
 - Depth-First Search (DFS): Search “deeply”
- BFS: Last Time
- DFS: Today



Taking Stock

Last Time

- The Wonderful World of Graph Theory
- Breadth First Search

This Time

- Finish Breadth-First Search
- Depth-First Search

Recall—BFS

BFS

- **Input:** Graph $G = (V, E)$, source node $s \in V$
- **Output:** $d(v)$, distance (smallest # of edges) from s to v
 $\forall v \in V$
- **Output:** $\pi(v)$, predecessor of v on the shortest path from s to v

Oh no! DP again

- $\delta(s, v)$: shortest path from s to v
- **Lemma:** If $(u, v) \in E$, then $\delta(s, v) \leq \delta(s, u) + 1$



BFS

BFS(V, E, s)

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1  for each  $u$  in  $V \setminus \{s\}$ 
2  do  $d(u) \leftarrow \infty$ 
3      $\pi(u) \leftarrow \text{NIL}$ 
4   $d[s] \leftarrow 0$ 
5   $Q \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
6  ADD( $Q, s$ )
7  while  $Q \neq \emptyset$ 
8  do  $u \leftarrow \text{POLL}(Q)$ 
9     for each  $v$  in  $\text{Adj}[u]$ 
10    do if  $d[v] = \infty$ 
11       then  $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + 1$ 
12           $\pi[v] = u$ 
13          ADD( $Q, v$ )

```



Analysis

- How many times is each vertex added?
 - Answer: Once. So $|V|$ for add operation
- How many times is adjacency list of vertex v scanned?
 - Answer: Once. Since $\sum_{v \in V} \text{size}(\text{Adj}[v]) = 2|E|$ (for undirected), we have $|E|$ here.
- Running time: $O(|V| + |E|)$: **Linear** in the input size of the graph (for adjacency list implementation)



Depth-First Search

DFS

- **Input:** Graph $G = (V, E)$
 - No source vertex here. Works for undirected and directed graphs.
 - We focus on directed graphs today...
- **Output:** Two timestamps for each node $d(v), f(v)$,
- **Output:** $\pi(v)$, predecessor of v
 - **not** on shortest path necessarily



Compare and Contrast

- BFS: Discovers all nodes at distance k from starting node s before discovering any node at distance $k + 1$
- DFS: As **soon** as we discover a vertex, we explore from it.
- Here we are after creating a **different** predecessor subgraph

$$G_\pi = (V, E_\pi) \text{ with } E_\pi = \{(\pi[v], v) \mid v \in V, \pi[v] \leq \text{NIL}\}$$
- **Not** shortest edge-path lengths



DFS Colors

In this implementation, we will use colors:

- **GREEN**: vertex is undiscovered
- **YELLOW**: vertex is discovered, but not finished
- **RED**: vertex is finished.
 - (i.e., we have completely explored everything from this node)

Discovery and Finish Times

- Unique integers from 1 to $2|V|$ denoting when you first discover a vertex and when you are done with it
- $d[v] < f[v] \forall v \in V$



DFS (Initialize and Go)

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DFS( $V, E$ )
1  for each  $u$  in  $V$ 
2  do  $color(u) \leftarrow$  GREEN
3      $\pi(u) \leftarrow$  NIL
4   $time \leftarrow 0$ 
5  for each  $u$  in  $V$ 
6  do if  $color[u] =$  GREEN
7     then DFS-VISIT( $u$ )
  
```



DFS (Visit Node—Recursive)

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DFS-VISIT( $u$ )
1   $color(u) \leftarrow$  YELLOW
2   $d[u] \leftarrow time++$ 
3  for each  $v$  in  $Adj[u]$ 
4  do if  $color[v] =$  GREEN
5     then  $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ 
6         DFS-VISIT( $v$ )
7
8   $color(u) \leftarrow$  RED
9   $f[u] = time++$ 
  
```



Example

- Here I will show Java code and an example



Analysis of DFS

- Loop on lines 1-3 $O(|V|)$
- DFS-VISIT is called **exactly** once for each vertex v (**Why?**)
 - Because the first thing you do is paint the node **YELLOW**
- The Loop on lines 3-6 in calls DFS-VISIT $|Adj[v]|$ times for vertex v .
- Since DFS visit is called exactly once per vertex, the total running time to do loop on lines 3-6 is

$$\sum_{v \in V} |Adj[v]| = \Theta(|E|).$$

- Therefore: running time of DFS on $G = (V, E)$ is $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$: **Linear** in the (adjacency list) size of the graph



Graph Review...

Think back to your thorough reading of Appendix B.4 and B.5...

- A **path** in G is a sequence of vertices such that each vertex is adjacent to the vertex preceding it in the sequence. Simple paths **do not** repeat nodes.
- A (simple) **cycle** is a (simple) path except that the first and last vertices are the same.
- Paths and cycles can either be **directed** or **undirected**
- If I say “cycle” or “path,” I will often mean simple, **undirected** cycle or path



I Can't See the Forest Through the...

- The DFS graph: $G_\pi = (V, E_\pi)$ forms a **forest** of **subtrees**

New Definitions

- A **tree** $T = (V, E)$ is a connected graph that does not contain a cycle
- All pairs of vertices in V are connected by a simple (undirected) path
- $|E| = |V| - 1$
- Adding any edge to E forms a cycle in T



More Definitions

- A (Undirected) acyclic graph is usually called a **forest**
- A **DAG** is a **D**irected, **A**cylic **G**raph (A directed forest...)
- A **subtree** is simply a subgraph that is a tree



Parenthesis Theorem

- Let's look at the intervals: $[d[v], f[v]]$ for each vertex $v \in V$. (Surely, $d[v] < f[v]$)
 - These tell us about the predecessor relationship in G_π
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- If I finish exploring u before first exploring v , ($d[u] < f[v]$) then v is not a descendant of u . (Or versa vice)
 - If $[d[u], f[u]] \subset [d[v], f[v]]$ then u is a descendent of v in the DFS tree
 - If $[d[v], f[v]] \subset [d[u], f[u]]$ then v is a descendent of u in the DFS tree



Classifying Edges in the DFS Tree

Given a DFS Tree G_π , there are four type of edges (u, v)

- Tree Edges:** Edges in E_π . These are found by exploring (u, v) in the DFS procedure
- Back Edges:** Connect u to an ancestor v in a DFS tree
- Forward Edges:** Connect u to a descendent v in a DFS tree
- Cross Edges:** All other edges. They *can* be edges in the same DFS tree, or can cross trees in teh DFS forest G_π



Modifying DFS to Classify Edges

- DFS can be modified to classify edges as it encounters them...
- Classify $e = (u, v)$ based on the **color** of v when e is first explored...
- GREEN:** Indicates Tree Edge
- YELLOW:** Indicates Back Edge
- RED:** Indicates Forward or Cross Edge



DFS Undirected Graphs

- In an undirected graph, there may be some ambiguity, as (u, v) and (v, u) are the same edge. The following theorem will help clear things up

Thm

In a DFS of an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$, every edge is a tree edge or a back edge.



Next Time

- Graphs, Graphs, and more Graphs.
- Additional Hmwk: Problems: 22.2-5, 22.2-6, 22.3-8, 22.4-3

