

Objectives

Data structures: Graphs

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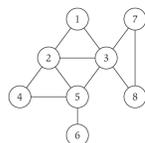
Undirected Graphs $G = (V, E)$

V = nodes (vertices)

E = edges between pairs of nodes

Captures pairwise relationship between objects

Graph size parameters: $n = |V|$, $m = |E|$



$V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$
 $E = \{1-2, 1-3, 2-3, 2-4, 2-5, 3-5, 3-7, 3-8, 4-5, 5-6\}$
 $n = 8$
 $m = 11$

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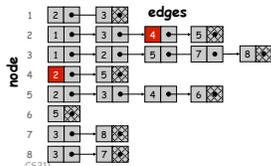
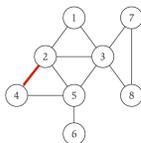
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Graph Representation: Adjacency List

Node indexed array of lists

- Two representations of each edge
- Space = $2m + n = O(m + n)$
- Checking if (u, v) is an edge takes $O(\text{deg}(u))$ time
- Identifying all edges takes $\Theta(m + n)$ time

degree = number of neighbors of u



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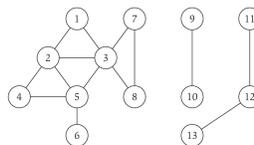
Paths and Connectivity

Def. A *path* in an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ is a sequence P of nodes $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k-1}, v_k$

- each consecutive pair v_i, v_{i+1} is joined by an edge in E

Def. A path is *simple* if all nodes are distinct

Def. An undirected graph is *connected* if \forall pair of nodes u and v , there is a path between u and v



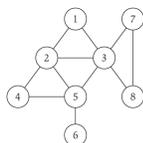
• Short path
 • Distance

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Cycles

Def. A *cycle* is a path $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k-1}, v_k$ in which $v_1 = v_k$, $k > 2$, and the first $k-1$ nodes are all distinct



cycle $C = 1-2-4-5-3-1$

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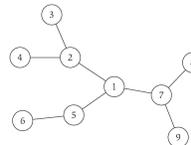
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Trees

Def. An undirected graph is a *tree* if it is connected and does not contain a cycle

Simplest connected graph

- Deleting any edge from a tree will disconnect it



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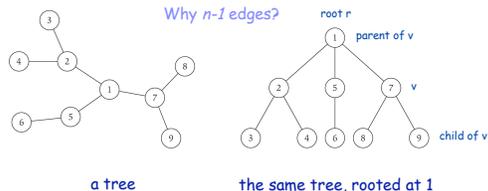
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Rooted Trees

Given a tree T , choose a root node r and orient each edge away from r

Models hierarchical structure



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GRAPH TRAVERSAL

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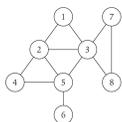
Connectivity

s-t connectivity problem. Given two node s and t , is there a path between s and t ?

s-t shortest path problem. Given two node s and t , what is the length of the shortest path between s and t ?

Applications

- Facebook
- Maze traversal
- Kevin Bacon number
- Fewest number of hops in a communication network



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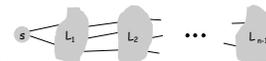
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Breadth First Search

Intuition. Explore outward from s in all possible directions, adding nodes one "layer" at a time

Algorithm

- $L_0 = \{s\}$
- $L_1 =$ all neighbors of L_0
- $L_2 =$ all nodes that do not belong to L_0 or L_1 , and that have an edge to a node in L_1
- $L_{i+1} =$ all nodes that do not belong to an earlier layer, and that have an edge to a node in L_i



Theorem. For each i , L_i consists of all nodes at distance exactly i from s . There is a path from s to t iff t appears in some layer.

What does this mean?

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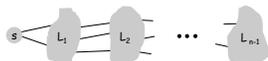
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- Shortest path to t from s , is the i from L_i
- All nodes *reachable* from s are in L_1, L_2, \dots, L_{n-1}



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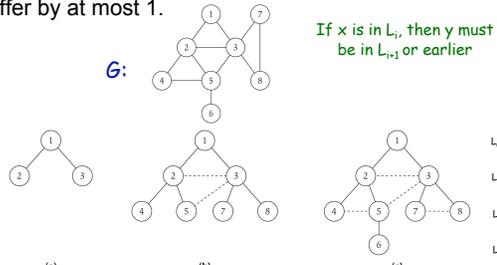
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Breadth First Search

Property. Let T be a BFS tree of $G = (V, E)$, and let (x, y) be an edge of G . Then the level of x and y differ by at most 1.

If x is in L_i , then y must be in L_{i-1} or earlier



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Implementation: Maintaining Sets

Either a queue or a stack

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Implementation: Maintaining Sets

Either a queue or a stack

Queue: FIFO

- First in, first out

Stack: LIFO

- Last in, last out

Both as a doubly linked list

- Always take first on list
- Difference in where inserted
 - Have first and last pointers
 - Done in constant time

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Implementing BFS

Graph: Adjacency list

Discovered array

Maintain layers in separate lists, L[i]

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Maintain layers in separate lists, L[i]

L[i] as a queue or stack?

```

BFS(s):
  Discovered[v] = false, for all v
  Discovered[s] = true
  L[0] = {s}
  layer counter i = 0
  BFS tree T = {}
  while L[i] != {}
    L[i+1] = {}
    For each node u ∈ L[i]
      Consider each edge (u,v) incident to u
      if Discovered[v] = false then
        Set Discovered[v] = true
        Add edge (u, v) to tree T
        Add v to the list L[i + 1]
    i+=1
    
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$O(n^2)$

At most n
At most n-1
i+=1

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$O(deg(u))$

$\sum_{u \in V} deg(u) = 2m$

At most n

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Connected Component

Find all nodes *reachable* from s

- BFS is one approach

Connected component containing node 1 = { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 }

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Application: Flood Fill

Given lime green pixel in an image, change color of entire blob of neighboring lime pixels to blue

- Node: pixel
- Edge: two neighboring lime pixels
- Blob: connected component of lime pixels

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Connected Component

Find all nodes *reachable* from s

In general...

```

R will consist of nodes to which s has a path
Initially R = {s}
While there is an edge (u,v) where u ∈ R and v ∉ R
  Add v to R
Endwhile
  
```

it's safe to add v

Theorem. Upon termination, R is the connected component containing s

- BFS = explore in order of distance from s
- DFS = explore in a different way

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Depth First Search

How does DFS work on this graph?

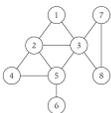
- Starting from node 1

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Depth First Search

Need to keep track of where you've been

When reach a "dead-end" (already explored all neighbors), backtrack to node with unexplored neighbor



Algorithm:

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DFS(u):
  Mark u as "Explored" and add u to R
  For each edge (u, v) incident to u
    If v is not marked "Explored" then
      DFS(v)
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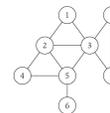
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DFS vs BFS

Resulting trees?



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Implementing DFS

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Keep nodes to be processed in a *stack*

```
DFS(s):
  Initialize S to be a stack with one element s
  Explored[v] = false, for all v
  Parent[v] = 0, for all v
  DFS tree T = {}
  while S != {}
    Take a node u from S
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 $O(n+m)$

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       $\text{deg}(u)$  For each edge (u, v) incident to u
        Add v to the stack S (if not explored?)
        Parent[v] = u
```

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Set of All Connected Components

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

Proof?

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Proof sketch:

- (i) There is a path between s and $t \rightarrow$ same set of connected components
- (ii) There is no path between s and $t \rightarrow$ disjoint set of connected components

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Set of All Connected Components

How can we find all connected components of graph?

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While there is a node that does not belong to R*
  select  $s$  not in R*
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Running time?

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Running time: $O(m+n)$

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TESTING BIPARTITENESS

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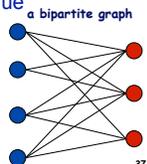
Bipartite Graphs

Def. An undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ is **bipartite** if the nodes can be colored red or blue such that every edge has one red and one blue end

- Generally: vertices divided into sets X and Y

Applications:

- Stable marriage: men = red, women = blue
- Scheduling: machines = red, jobs = blue



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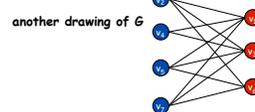
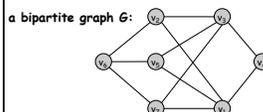
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Testing Bipartiteness

Given a graph G, is it bipartite?

- Many graph problems become:
 - easier if underlying graph is bipartite (matching)
 - tractable if underlying graph is bipartite (independent set)
- Before designing an algorithm, need to understand structure of bipartite graphs



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An Obstruction to Bipartiteness

Lemma. If a graph G is bipartite, it cannot contain an odd length cycle.

Proof Intuition. Consider a cycle of 3, then a larger odd cycle

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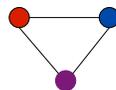
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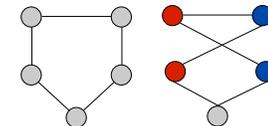
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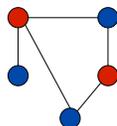
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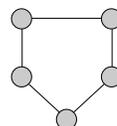
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Pf. Not possible to 2-color the odd cycle, let alone G.



bipartite
(2-colorable)



not bipartite
(not 2-colorable)

If find an odd cycle, graph is NOT bipartite

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How Can We Determine Bipartite Graphs?

Given a connected graph Why connected?

Color one node red

-Doesn't matter which color (Why?)

What should we do next?

How will we know that we're finished?

What does this process sound like?

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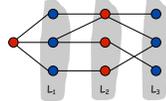
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BFS: alternating colors, layers



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