Announcements

Project 2 Due Tonight!

HW 5 Due Wednesday

Project 3 released today – please check who your partner is and contact them TODAY. If you do not get a response by Sunday, contact the course staff for reassignment.
Review

Path – A sequence of connected vertices (sometimes called a “walk”)

(Directed) Path – A path in a directed graph must follow the direction of the edges

Path Length – The number of edges in a path (unweighted), sum of edges (weighted)
- (A,B,C,D) has length 3.

Simple Path – A path that doesn’t repeat vertices (except maybe first=last)

Cycle – A path that starts and ends at the same vertex (of length at least 1)
Review: Connected Components

**Connected Graph** – A graph that has a path from every vertex to every other vertex (i.e. every vertex is **reachable** from every other vertex.

**Strongly Connected Graph** – A directed graph that is connected (note the direction of the edges!)

**Weakly Connected Graph** – A directed graph that is connected when interpreted as undirected. (Note all strongly connected graphs are also weakly connected)
Paths and Reachability

Very common questions:

- Is there a path between two vertices? (Can I drive from Seattle to LA?)
- What is the length of the shortest path between two vertices? (How long will it take?)
- Can every vertex reach every other on a short path?
  - 7 degrees of Kevin Bacon
  - Length of the longest shortest path is the “diameter” of a graph

Less common, but still important:

  What is the longest path in a graph?
  - In general a “hard”™ problem
Trees

A tree is a connected, acyclic graph.

In a tree there exist exactly one path between every pair of vertices.

A graph consisting of several disconnected trees is called a forest.

The trees we have seen so far have been rooted trees – interpret one vertex as the root, and its neighbors are now children, and the root of their own subtrees.

How many edges does a tree with n vertices have? \( n - 1 \)
DAGs

DAG stands for Directed, Acyclic, Graph

This is the directed graph analog of a forest.

The trees we have made so far in this class have been implemented as weakly connected DAGs.

Can be used to represent dependencies: i.e. A must be completed before either B or C, and both B and C must be completed before D. Scheduling these tasks is called topological sort.
Subgraphs

Take a graph, and delete vertices and edges so you still have a graph.

The remaining red vertices and edges form a subgraph.

Formally: $G' = (V', E') \subseteq G = (V, E) \iff V' \subseteq V$ and $E' \subseteq E$ and $G'$ is a graph
Interesting Subgraphs

**Cliques**
- A **clique** is a complete subgraph

- A **maximal** clique is a clique that you could not add any more vertices to and still have a clique. This is distinct from the **maximum** clique, which is the largest clique in a graph.
Interesting Subgraphs

Connected Components
- A connected component is a maximal, connected subgraph

In directed graphs, you have two kinds: strongly connected, and weakly connected:
Interesting Subgraphs

A **Spanning Tree** is a subgraph that is both a **tree** and includes **every vertex** (it **spans** the graph).

![Diagram of a graph with a spanning tree highlighted]

Every **connected** graph has at least one spanning tree.

An important problem is finding the **minimum spanning tree**. We will learn 2 algorithms for this. It is useful for optimization tasks (e.g. minimum cost to build a road network).
Traversing a Graph

In all previous data structures:
1. Start at first element
2. Move to next element
3. Repeat until end of elements

For graphs – Where do we start? How do we decide where to go next? When do we end?
1. Pick any vertex to start, mark it “visited”
2. Put all neighbors of first vertex in a “to be visited” collection
3. Move onto next vertex in “to be visited” collection
4. Mark vertex “visited”
5. Put all unvisited neighbors in “to be visited”
6. Move onto next vertex in “to be visited” collection
7. Repeat...
Breadth First Search

search(graph)
  toVisit.enqueue(first vertex)
  mark first vertex as visited
  while(toVisit is not empty)
    current = toVisit.dequeue()
    for (V : current.neighbors())
      if (v is not visited)
        toVisit.enqueue(v)
        mark v as visited
    finished.add(current)

Current node: I
Queue: B D E C F G H I
Finished: A B D E C F G H I
Breadth First Search Analysis

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        for (V : current.neighbors())
            if (v is not visited)
                toVisit.enqueue(v)
                mark v as visited
        finished.add(current)

Visited: A B D E C F G H I

How many times do you visit each node?
1 time each

How many times do you traverse each edge?
Max 2 times each
- Putting them into toVisit
- Checking if they're visited

Runtime? $O(V + 2E) = O(V + E)$  “graph linear”
Depth First Search (DFS)

BFS uses a queue to order which vertex we move to next
Gives us a growing “frontier” movement across graph
Can you move in a different pattern? Can you use a different data structure?
What if you used a stack instead?

def dfs(graph):
    toVisit = []
    mark first vertex as visited
    while(toVisit is not empty)
        current = toVisit.pop()
        for (V : current.neighbors())
            if (V is not visited)
                toVisit.push(v)
                mark v as visited
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Current node: D
Stack: D B E I H 6
Finished: A B E H G F I C D

How many times do you visit each node? 1 time each
How many times do you traverse each edge? Max 2 times each
  - Putting them into toVisit
  - Checking if they’re visited

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Recursive DFS

DFS can be implemented using recursion as well:

```python
def dfs(vertex, visited):
    visited[vertex] = True
    for each neighbor of vertex:
        if not visited[neighbor]:
            visited = dfs(neighbor, visited)
    return visited
```

What about BFS? Not really. Function calls act like a stack, so DFS works well, but not BFS.