

Traversals and Graphs

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Announcements

- ❖ Homework 5: k-d trees is released and due *next Friday*
 - This is the first of our “hard” homeworks
 - Suggestion: pretend it’s due Tuesday so you don’t panic while prepping for midterm. Start early!
 - Hint: start with a version that doesn’t prune; then implement a version that chooses good/bad sides; then finally a pruning version

- ❖ Midterm is *also* next Friday
 - If your student number ends in an odd number, go to KNE 210
 - If your student ends in an even number, go to KNE 220
 - We’ve released a practice midterm
 - Review session Thursday night: 4:30-6:30 @ ARC 147

Feedback from the Reading Quiz

- ❖ The reading didn't mention weighted/unweighted graphs
- ❖ I'm still confused about pre-, in- and post-order graphs
- ❖ It's interesting how we can finally use a queue to implement BFS
 - Why does BFS matter? It's also really confusing

Lecture Outline

❖ Tree Traversals

❖ Introduction to Graphs

- Definitions
- Graph Problems

❖ Graph Traversals: DFS

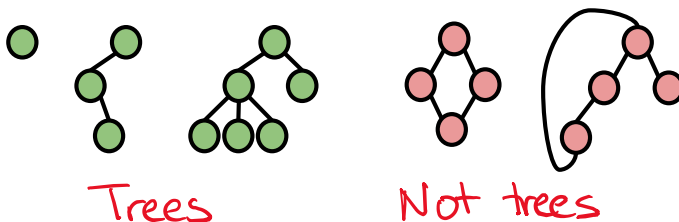
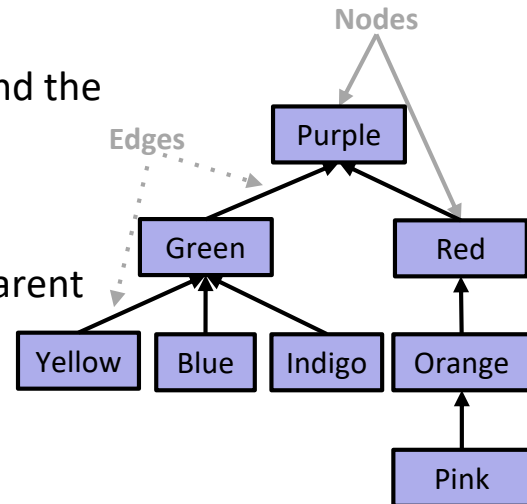
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(but maybe the final?)

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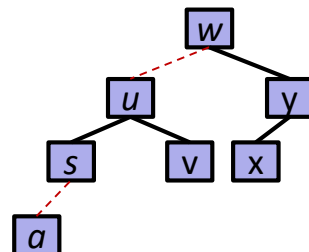
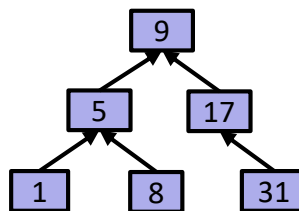
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class Node<Value> {
    Value v;
    List<Node> children;
}
  
```

Review: Trees We've Seen

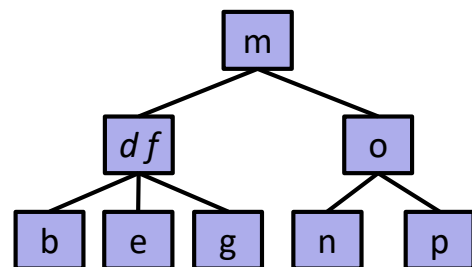
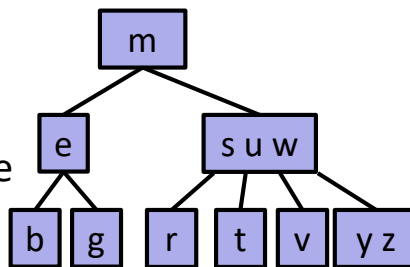
❖ Binary Search Trees

- And one of its balanced variants: the Left-Leaning Red-Black Tree

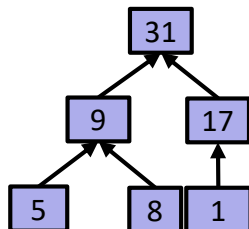


❖ B-Trees

- Specifically, a 2-3 Tree



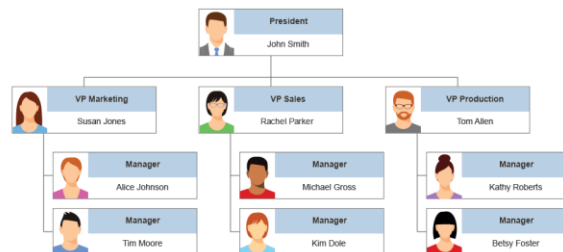
❖ Binary Heaps



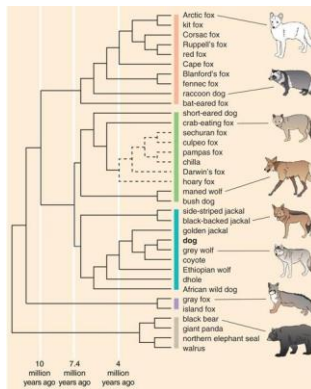
Tree Applications

❖ Trees are a more general concept

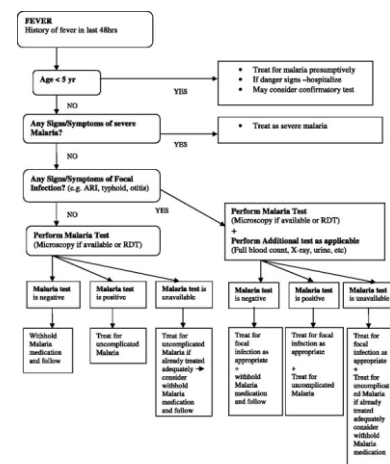
- Organization charts



- Family lineages* including phylogenetic trees



- MOH Training Manual for Management of Malaria.



Source: MOH (2009) Training Manual for the Management of Malaria at Health Facilities in Ghana

*: Not all family lineages are trees!

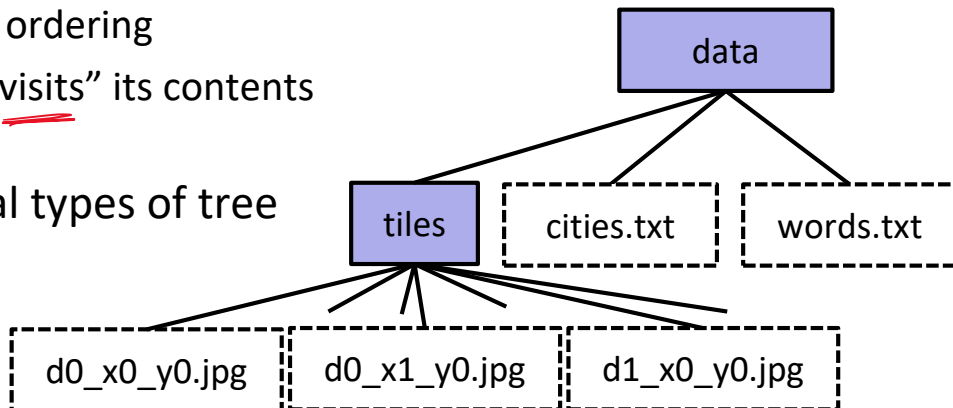
Tree Traversals

- ❖ Thus far, we've talked about *searching* a tree. Let's back up and talk about *traversing* a tree

- ❖ A traversal:

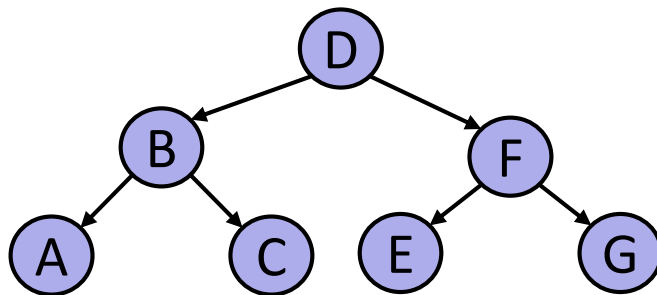
- Iterates over every node in a tree in some defined ordering
- “Processes” or “visits” its contents

- ❖ There are several types of tree traversals



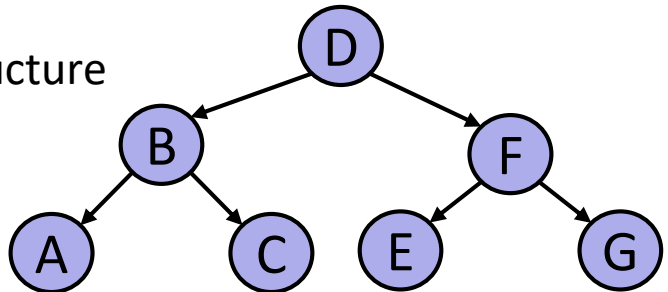
Tree Traversal Types

- ❖ Level Order Traversal aka Breadth-First Traversal
- ❖ Depth-First Traversal
 - Pre-order Traversal
 - In-order Traversal
 - Post-order Traversal



Level-Order / Breadth-First Traversal

- ❖ Traverse and visit top-to-bottom, left-to-right
 - Like reading in English
- ❖ Looks like how we converted our binary heap (ie, a complete tree) to its array representation
- ❖ Needs a supporting data structure to implement
 - See next lecture!



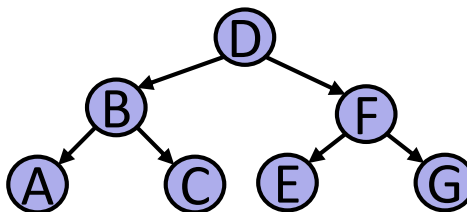
Depth-First Traversal

- ❖ Basic idea: traverse “deep nodes” (eg, A) before shallow ones (eg, F)
- ❖ Remember that *traversing* a node is different than *visiting/processing* a node

Depth-First: Pre-Order

- ❖ Pre-order “visits” the node before traversing its children
 - DBACFEG

```
preOrder(BSTNode x) {  
    if (x == null)  
        return;  
    process(x.key)  
    preOrder(x.left)  
    preOrder(x.right)  
}
```

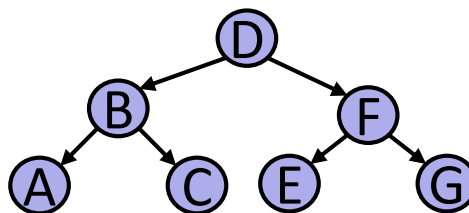


Depth-First: In-Order

- ❖ Pre-order “visits” the node before traversing its children
 - DBACFEG
- ❖ In-order traverses the left child, visits the node, then traverses the right child
 - ABCDEF

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Depth-First: Post-Order

- ❖ Pre-order “visits” the node before traversing its children

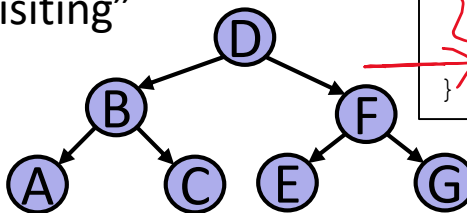
- DBACFEG

- ❖ In-order traverses the left child, “visits” the node, then traverses the right child

- ABCDEF

- ❖ Post-order traverses its children before “visiting” the node

- ACBEGFD



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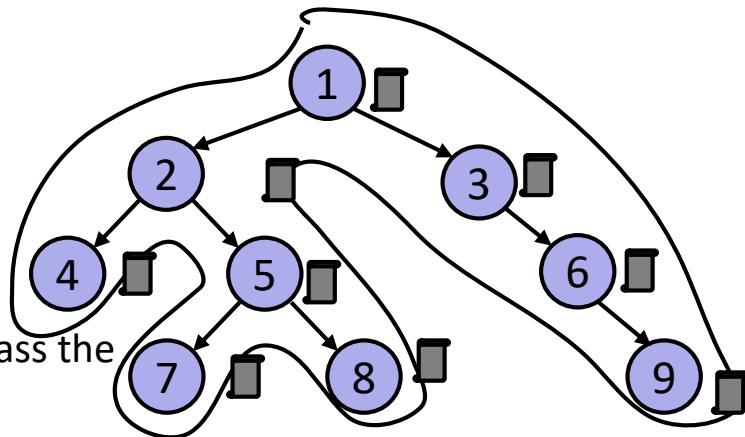
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postOrder(BSTNode x) {
    if (x == null)
        return;
    postOrder(x.left)
    postOrder(x.right)
    process(x.key)
}
  
```

Where is the root in all 3 traversals?

A Useful Visual Trick for Depth-First Traversals

- ❖ (Useful for humans, not algorithms)
- ❖ Trace a path around the graph, from the top going counter-clockwise
 - Pre-order: “Visit” when you pass the LEFT side of a node
 - In-order: “Visit” when you pass the BOTTOM of a node
 - Post-order: “Visit” when you pass the RIGHT side of a node.



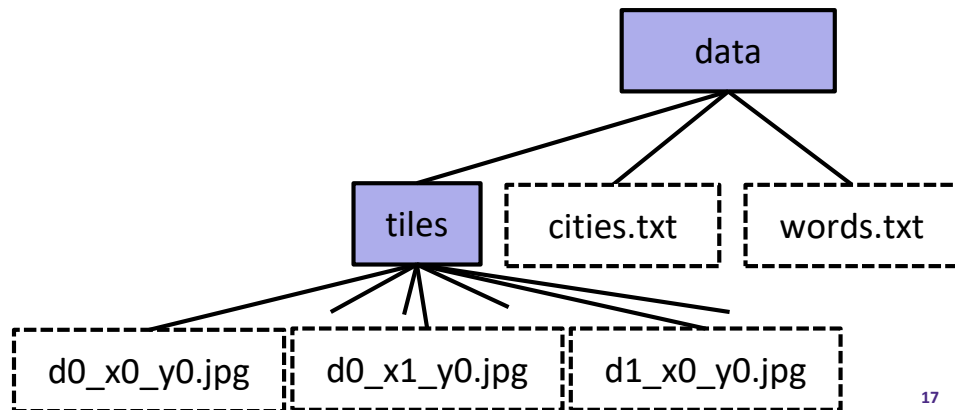
Example: post-order

4 7 8 5 2 9 6 3 1

Traversal Applications (1 of 2)

- ❖ Pre-order Traversal for printing directory listing

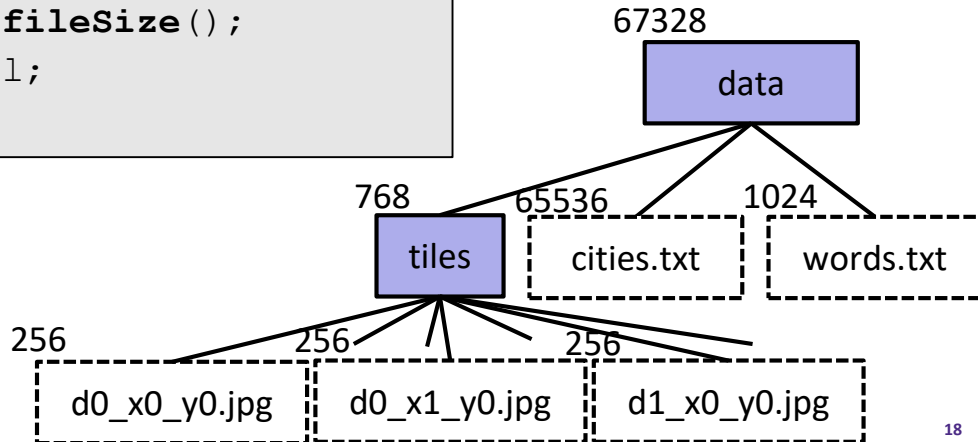
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    d0_x1_y0.jpg  
    d1_x0_y0.jpg  
  cities.txt  
  words.txt
```



Traversal Applications (2 of 2)

- ❖ Post-order Traversal for calculating directory size

```
postOrder (BSTNode x) {  
    if (x == null)  
        return 0;  
    int total = 0;  
    for (BSTNode c : x.children())  
        total += postOrder(c)  
    total += x.fileSize();  
    return total;  
}
```



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Trees are Hierarchical!

- ❖ Trees are fantastic for representing strict hierarchical relationships
 - Not every relationship is hierarchical
 - Eg: (Proposed) Light rail map

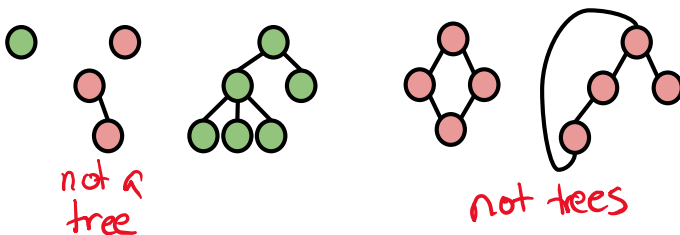
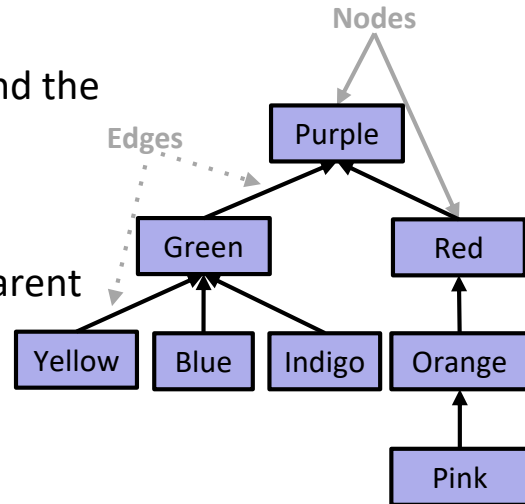
- ❖ This is not a tree: contains cycles!



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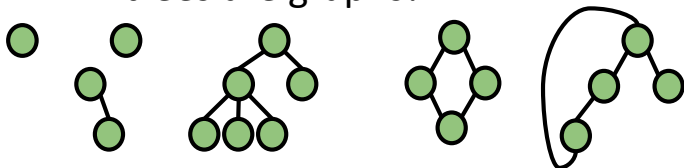
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The Graph Data Structure

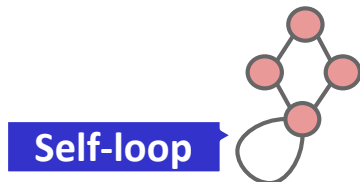
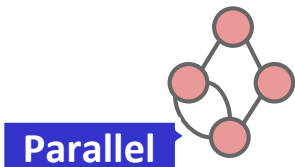
❖ A **Graph** is a collection of nodes, and zero or more edges connecting two nodes

- All trees are graphs!



❖ A **Simple Graph** has no **self-loops** or **parallel edges**

- In a simple graph, E is $O(V^2)$
- Unless otherwise stated, all graphs in this course are simple



Graph Terminology (1 of 2)

❖ Graph:

- Set of **vertices** aka **nodes**
- Set of **edges**: pairs of vertices
- Vertices with an edge between them are **adjacent**
- Vertices or edges may have optional **labels**
 - Numeric edge labels are sometimes called **weights**

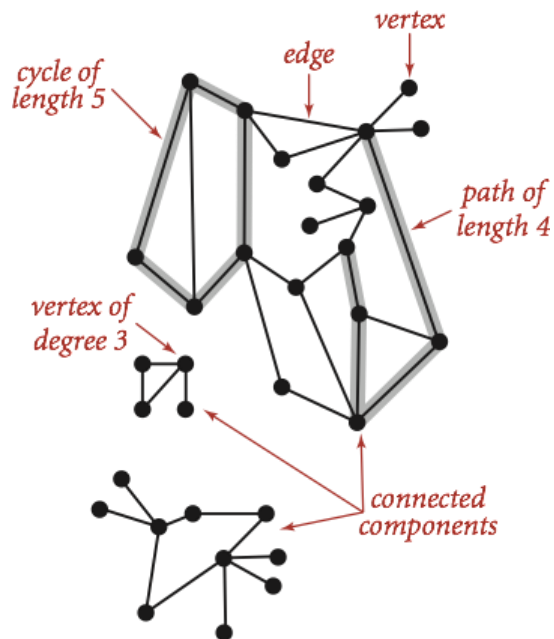


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Graph Terminology (2 of 2)

- ❖ Two vertices are **connected** if there is a path between them
 - If all the vertices are connected, we say the graph is **connected**
 - The number of edges leaving a vertex is its **degree**
- ❖ A **path** is a sequence of vertices connected by edges
 - A **simple path** is a path without repeated vertices
 - A **cycle** is a path whose first and last edges are the same
 - A graph with a cycle is **cyclic**

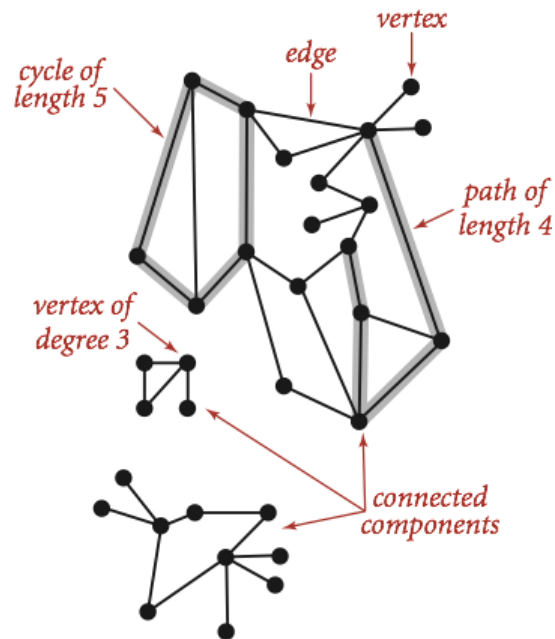
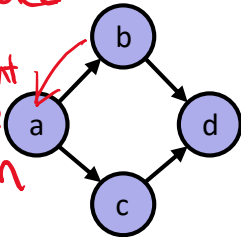


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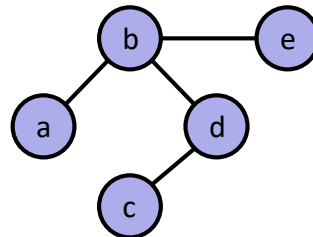
Directed vs Undirected; Acyclic vs Cyclic

Not a parallel edge! In a directed graph, parallel edges must point in the same direction

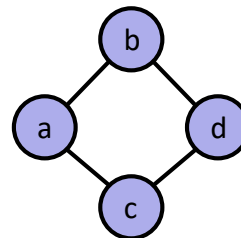
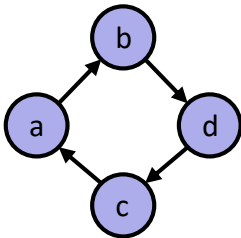
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Undirected

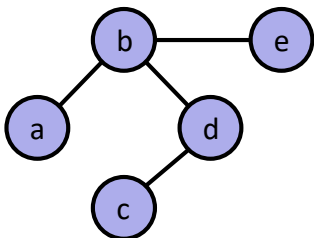


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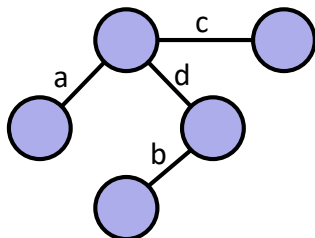


Labeled and Weighted Graphs

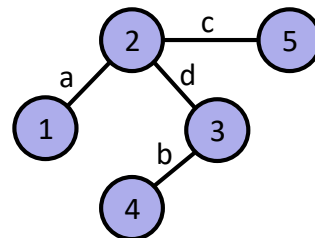
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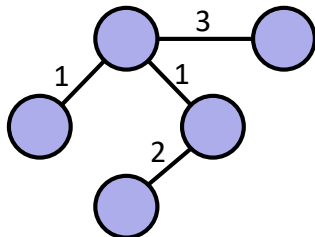
Edge Labels



Vertex and Edge Labels



Edge Labels (Edge Weights)





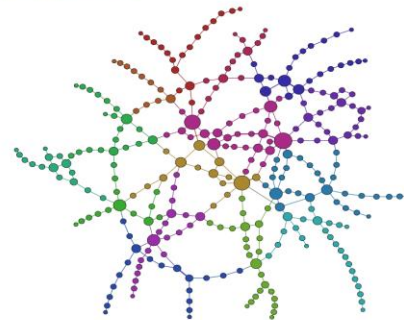
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This schematic map of the Paris Métro is a graph. It exhibits the following characteristics:

- Same*
- | | | | |
|----|------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| A. | Undirected | / Connected / Cyclic / | Vertex-labeled |
| B. | Directed | / Connected / Cyclic / | Vertex-labeled |
| C. | Undirected | / Connected / Cyclic / | Edge-labeled |
| D. | Directed | / Connected / Cyclic / | Edge-labeled |
| E. | I'm not sure ... | | |

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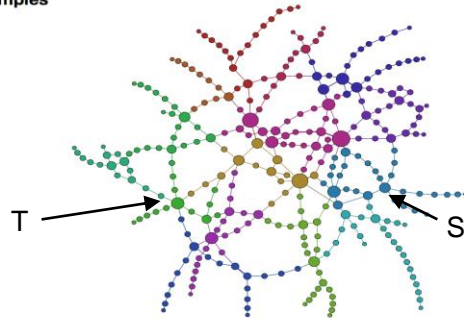
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Graph Queries

- ❖ There are lots of interesting questions we can ask about a graph:
 - What is the shortest route from S to T?
What is the longest without cycles?
 - Are there cycles?
 - Is there a tour you can take that only uses each node (station) exactly once?
 - Is there a tour that uses each edge exactly once?

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Graph Queries More Theoretically

- ❖ Some well known graph problems and their common names:
 - **s-t Path.** Is there a path between vertices s and t ?
 - **Connectivity.** Is the graph connected?
 - **Biconnectivity.** Is there a vertex whose removal disconnects the graph?
 - **Shortest s-t Path.** What is the shortest path between vertices s and t ?
 - **Cycle Detection.** Does the graph contain any cycles?
 - **Euler Tour.** Is there a cycle that uses every edge exactly once?
 - **Hamilton Tour.** Is there a cycle that uses every vertex exactly once?
 - **Planarity.** Can you draw the graph on paper with no crossing edges?
 - **Isomorphism.** Are two graphs the same graph (in disguise)?

- ❖ Often can't tell how difficult a graph problem is without very deep consideration.

Graph Problem Difficulty

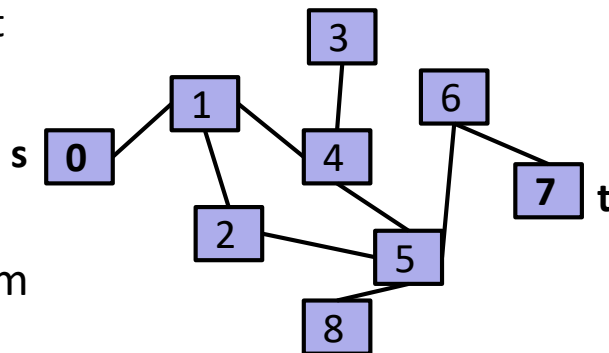
- ❖ Some well known graph problems:
 - **Euler Tour:** Is there a cycle that uses every *edge* exactly once?
 - **Hamilton Tour:** Is there a cycle that uses every *vertex* exactly once?
- ❖ Difficulty can be deceiving
 - An efficient Euler tour algorithm $O(\# \text{ edges})$ was found as early as 1873 [[Link](#)].
 - Despite decades of intense study, no efficient algorithm for a Hamilton tour exists. Best algorithms are exponential time.
- ❖ Graph problems are among the most mathematically rich areas of CS theory

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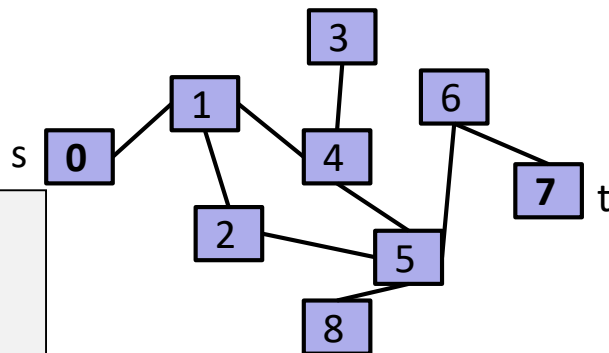
s-t Connectivity Problem

- ❖ s-t connectivity problem
 - Given source vertex s and a target vertex t , does there exist a path between s and t ?
- ❖ Try to come up with an algorithm for $\text{connected}(s, t)$



s-t Connectivity Problem: Proposed Solution

```
connected(Node s, Node t) {  
  if (s == t) {  
    return true;  
  } else {  
    for (Node n : s.neighbors) {  
      if (connected(n, t)) {  
        return true;  
      }  
    }  
    return false;  
  }  
}
```



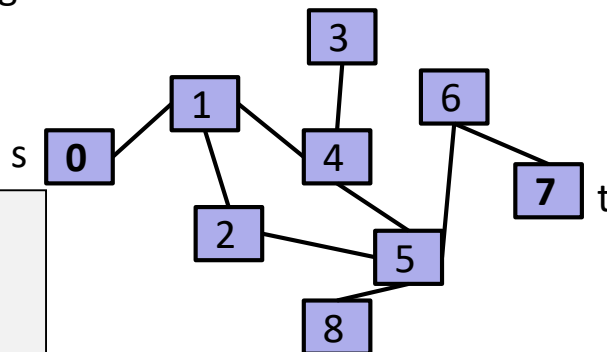


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- ❖ What is wrong with the proposed algorithm?

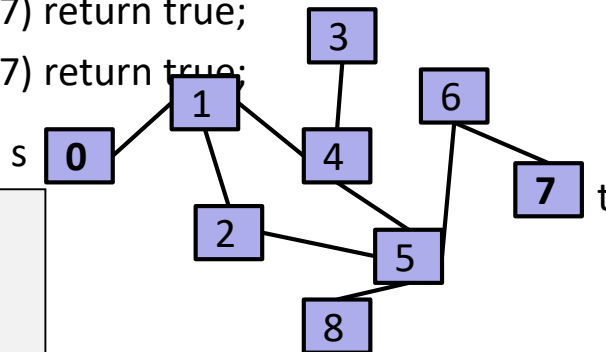
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s-t Connectivity Problem

- ❖ What is wrong with the proposed algorithm?
 - Does 0 == 7? No; if(connected(1, 7) return true;
 - Does 1 == 7? No; if(connected(0, 7) return true;
 - Does 0 == 7?

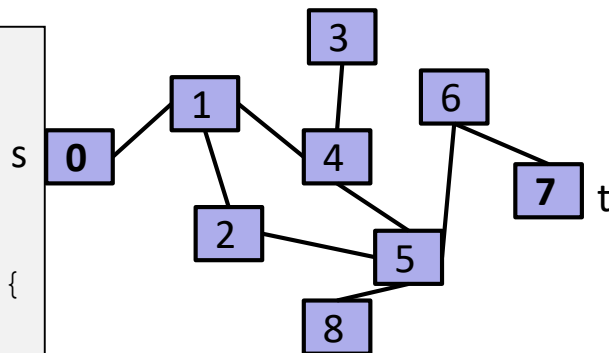
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    }  
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  }  
}
```



s-t Connectivity Problem: Depth-First Search

- ❖ Mark each node as visited!

```
connected(Node s, Node t) {  
  if (s == t) {  
    return true;  
  } else {  
    s.visited = true;  
    for (Node n : s.neighbors) {  
      if (n.visited) {  
        continue;  
      }  
      if (connected(n, t)) {  
        return true;  
      }  
    }  
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  }  
}
```



Is this a pre-order traversal or a post-order traversal?

Do in-order traversals exist for graphs?

s-t Connectivity Problem: Depth-First Search

- ❖ Demo:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1OHRI7Q_f8hlwjRjC8NPBUc1cMu5KhINH1xGXWDFs_dA/present?ueb=true&slide=id.g76e0dad85_2_380

- ❖ Is this a pre-order traversal or a post-order traversal?
 - Do in-order traversals exist for graphs?

tl;dr

- ❖ Traversals are an order in which you visit/process vertices
- ❖ Trees have level-order traversals and 3 depth-first traversals
- ❖ Graphs are a more general idea than a tree
 - Key terms: Directed/Undirected, Cyclic/Acyclic, Path, Cycle
 - Traversals are a common tool for solving almost all graph problems
 - DFS pre-order, DFS post-order, BFS (next lecture!)