

CSE 373: Graphs

(Traversals, Shortest Paths)

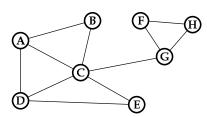
Chapter 9



Depth-First Search (DFS)

A fundamental method for traversing a graph:

- start from a particular node...
- walk along a single path visiting nodes
- go back and try a different path only when stuck

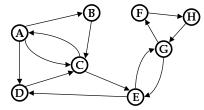


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DFS on Directed Graphs

Also applicable to directed graphs...



- Similar to pre-order traversal on tree/DFS on maze
- Running time?
- edges walked by DFS form a spanning tree
- how would we implement this?

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DFS Implementation

void DFS(vertex v) {

}

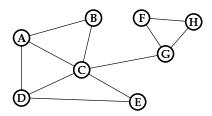
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Breadth-First Search (BFS)

Another way of traversing a graph

- start from a particular node...
- take one step along each of its edges
- then take one step per edge for each of those nodes



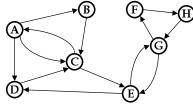
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BFS on Directed Graphs

Also applicable to directed graphs...



- Running time?
- visited edges again form a spanning tree
- how would we implement this?

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BFS Implementation

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void BFS(vertex v) {
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}

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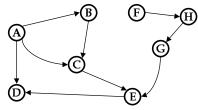
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Topological Sort

A notion of ordering the vertices in a DAG:

- If there is a path from u to v, u must appear before v in the ordering
- OR, a vertex v may not be printed out until all vertices with edges leading to it have been printed

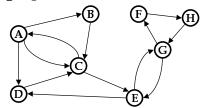


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Topological Sort on non-DAGs

Why don't topological sorts make sense on graphs that aren't DAGs?



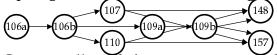
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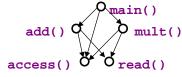
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Topological Sort Applications

• Given a graph representing course prerequisites, topological sorts would indicate legal course schedules



• Given a callgraph for a non-recursive C program, topological sorts would indicate function orderings for the source file such that no prototypes are needed



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Using Searches for Topological Sort?

- Would a depth-first search visit nodes in topological order?
- Would a breadth-first search?
- What would?

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Naive Topological Sort

- Naive algorithm:
 - Keep track of each vertex's *in-degree*: the number of edges leading into it
 - Scan the vertex list looking for one whose in-degree is zero
 - Print that vertex out
 - Decrement the in-degrees of all adjacent vertices
- Running Time?
- How could this be improved?

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Improved Topological Sort

```
void TopSort(Graph G) {
```

Running Time?

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Shortest Path Problems

Given a graph G = (V,E) and a vertex $s \in V$, find the shortest path from s to all other vertices

Many variations:

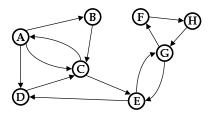
- unweighted graphs
- weighted graphs with no negative weights
- weighted graphs with negative weights
- weighted acyclic graphs

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Unweighted Shortest Path Problem

Assume source vertex is **C**...



distance to: A B C D E F G H

What approach could we use to implement this?

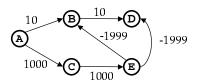
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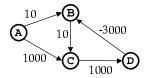
The Problem With Negative Weights

case 1:



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case 2:



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