CS 341: ALGORITHMS

Lecture 11: graph algorithms II – finishing BFS, depth first search

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BFS APPLICATION: TESTING WHETHER A GRAPH IS **BIPARTITE**

(UNDIRECTED) BIPARTITE GRAPHS AND BFS

 A graph is bipartite if the nodes can be partitioned into sets R and B such that each edge has one endpoint in R and one endpoint in B



CRUCIAL PROPERTY: NO ODD CYCLES

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• Claim: a graph is bipartite if and only if it does not contain an odd length cycle

What happens if I **create** an odd length cycle?

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Edge with both

PROOF PART 1: ODD CYCLE \Rightarrow NOT BIPARTITE

• Suppose there is an **odd** length cycle $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2k+1}, v_1$



PROOF PART 2: ALL CYCLES HAVE EVEN LENGTH \Rightarrow BIPARTITE

- Let v_i be any node, and d(v) be the distance from v_i to v
- Partition nodes by even vs odd distances



WTP: no edge between red nodes no edge between blue nodes



BAD EDGES MEAN ODD CYCLES

- Claim: if there were an edge between red nodes, or between blue nodes, there would be an odd length cycle
- WLOG suppose for contradiction $(u, v) \in E$ where $u, v \in R$
- Since $u, v \in R$, distances d(u) and d(v) from v_i are both odd Recall d(u) = length of shortest path $v_i \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow u$

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v d(v) = odd

d(u) = odd

The combined path $v_i \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow u \rightarrow v \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow v_i$ forms a cycle

> And its length is d(u) + 1 + d(v)which is odd!

> > 7

...and d(v) the shortest path $v_i \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow v$

 v_i

So there is no edge (u, v) where $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$ (case B is similar)

ALGORITHM FOR TESTING BIPARTITENESS

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Bipartition(adj[1..n])
  colour[1..n] = [white, ..., white]
  dist[1..n] = [infty, ..., infty]
  for start = 1..n
      if colour[start] is white
        BFS(adj, start, colour, dist)
  for edge in adj
      let u and v be endpoints of edge
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if (dist[u]%2) == (dist[v]%2) then
    return NotBipartite
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B = nodes u with even dist[u]
R = nodes u with odd dist[u] 
return B, R
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Call BFS on each component to calculate distances for each node

Return an actual

bipartition

Modified BFS that reuses the same colour array and same dist array

If both even or both odd

Runtime complexity?

Can be done in O(n+m)





DEPTH FIRST SEARCH

DEPTH-FIRST SEARCH OF A DIRECTED GRAPH

A depth-first search uses a stack (or recursion) instead of a queue.

We define predecessors and colour vertices as in BFS.

It is also useful to specify a **discovery time** d[v] and a **finishing time** f[v] for every vertex v.

We increment a **time counter** every time a value d[v] or f[v] is assigned. We eventually visit all the vertices, and the algorithm constructs a **depth-first forest**.

DEPTH FIRST SEARCH ALGORITHM

Example execution starting at node 1



DFS TREE / FOREST

Could draw BFS forest this way also...

- As in breadth first search, pred[] array induces a forest
- Let's match the graph's edge directions (opposite from pred)



DFS forest



DFSVisit(6)

BASIC DFS PROPERTIES TO REMEMBER

Nodes start white

Also gets a **discovery time** d[v] at this point

- A node v turns gray when it is discovered,
 which is when the first call to DFSVisit(v) happens
- After v is turned gray, we recurse on its neighbours
- After recursing on <u>all</u> **neighbours**, we turn v **black**
 - Recursive calls on neighbours end before DFSVisit(v) does, so the neighbours of v turn black before v

Also gets a finish time f[v] at this point

RUNTIME COMPLEXITY OF DFS (FOR ADJ. LISTS)



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CLASSIFYING EDGE $u \longrightarrow v$ IN DFS

- If pred[v] = u, then: (u, v) is a tree edge
- Else if v is a descendent of u in the DFS forest: forward edge
- Else if v is an ancestor of u in the DFS forest: back edge



Can we classify edges **without** inspecting the DFS forest? Perhaps using *d*[...], *f*[...], *colour*[...]?

DEFINITIONS

- **Definition:** we use I_u to denote (d[u], f[u]), which we call the **interval of** u
- Definition: v is white-reachable from u if there is a path from u to v containing only white nodes (excluding u)



EXPLORING D[], F[] AND COLOUR[]
Observe: every node v that is white-reachable from u when we first call DFSVisit(u) becomes gray after u and black before u (so I_v is nested inside I_u)

Start *DFSVisit(u)*, colour *u* grey, and set *u*'s discovery time

Perform *DFSVisit* calls recursively...

Colour *u* black, set *u*'s finish time and return from *DFSVisit(u)*



Consider the **tree of recursive calls** rooted at *DFSVisit(u)*.

v is discovered by a call in this tree iff I_v is nested inside I_u

> iff v is a descendent of uin the DFS forest

iff v turns grey after u and black before u

iff v is white-reachable from uwhen DFSVisit(u) is called

SUMMARIZING IN A THEOREM

- <u>Theorem</u>: Let *u*, *v* be any nodes.
 The following statements are all <u>equivalent</u>.
 - (v is white-reachable from u when we call DFSVisit(u))
 - (v turns grey after u and black before u)
 - (discovery/finish time interval I_v is **nested inside** I_u)
 - (v is discovered during DFSVisit(u))
 - (v is a **descendant of** u in the DFS forest)

CLASSIFYING EDGE TYPES IN DFS

DFS inspects every edge in the graph. When DFS inspects an edge $\{u, v\}$, the colour of v and relationship between the intervals of u and v determine the edge type. v discovered during DFSVisit(u)

but **not directly** from u (or $\{u, v\}$ would be a tree edge)

So when DFSVisit(u) inspects $\{u, v\}, v$ cannot be white

edge type	colour of v	discovery/finish times	in the DFS tree	v is already	aiscoverea!
tree	Q1?	Q2?			
forward	Q4?	Q3?	v is a descend	ent of u	
back	Q6?	Q5?	v is an ances t	or of u	
cross	Q8?	Q7?	v is not a desce	endent,	
			and not an ar		

is a **child** of

Recall:

(*v* is discovered during *DFSVisit*(*u*)) \Leftrightarrow (*v* is **white-reachable** from *u* when we call *DFSVisit*(*u*)) \Leftrightarrow (*v* is a **descendant of** *u* in the DFS forest) \Leftrightarrow (*v* turns grey after *u* and black before *u*)

 \Leftrightarrow (I_v nested inside I_u)

... by another recursive call that *DFSVisit(u)* makes when it inspects a **previous edge**

That call **terminates** before *DFSVisit(u)* inspects {*u, v*}

And it colors v black! 19

USEFUL FACT: PARENTHESIS THEOREM

- <u>Theorem</u>: for each pair of nodes u, vthe intervals of u and v are either **disjoint** or **nested** d[u] *DFSVisit(u)* f[u]
- **<u>Proof</u>**: Suppose the intervals are **not disjoint**.
 - Then either $d[v] \in I_u$ or $d[u] \in I_v$
 - WLOG suppose $d[v] \in I_u$
 - Then v is discovered during DFSVisit(u)
 - So, v must turn gray after u and black before u
 - So f[v] < f[u]
 - So the intervals are nested. QED





CLASSIFYING EDGE TYPES IN DFS

DFS inspects every edge in the graph. When DFS inspects an edge $\{u, v\}$, the colour of v and relationship between the intervals of u and v determine the edge type. So, I_v must be earlier.

If *I_u* were earlier, then *v* would be **discovered before** *u* **finishes** (because of edge {*u,v*}), so intervals would not be disjoint!

Intervals I_u and I_v must be **disjoint**. But which is **earlier**?

v is **not** a descendent, and **not** an ancestor

- **Recall:** (v is discovered during DFSVisit(u))
 - \Leftrightarrow (*v* is white-reachable from *u* when we call *DFSVisit(u)*)

discovery/finish times

d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]

d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]

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d[v] < f[v] < d[u] < f[u] -

- \Leftrightarrow (*v* is a **descendant of** *u* in the DFS forest)
- \Leftrightarrow (v turns grey after u and black before u)
- \Leftrightarrow (I_v nested inside I_u)

colour of v

white

black

gray

black

edge type

tree

forward

back

cross

APPLICATION OF DFS (OR BFS): STRONG CONNECTEDNESS

Testing existence of all-to-all paths

STRONG CONNECTEDNESS

• In a directed graph,

W

• *v* is reachable from *w* if there is a path from *w* to *v*

• we denote such a path $w \rightarrow v$

Compare: we use $w \rightarrow v$ to denote an edge from w to v

v

- A graph G is strongly connected iff every node is reachable from every other node
 - More formally: $\forall_{w,v} \exists w \rightsquigarrow v$

STRONG CONNECTEDNESS

• Is this graph strongly connected?



С

No path from c to other nodes.

• How about this one? Yes. One big cycle.



STRONG CONNECTEDNESS

d

How about this graph?

a

How about this one?



b

С

e

g

Yes. Multiple intersecting cycles.

No. Two cycles with only a one-directional path between them.

OTHER APPLICATIONS OF CHECKING STRONG CONNECTEDNESS

 You gain some symmetry from knowing a graph is strongly connected

- For example, you can start a graph traversal at any node, and know the traversal will reach every node
- Without strong connectedness, if you want to run a graph traversal that reaches every node in a single pass, you would have to do additional processing to determine an appropriate starting node

OTHER APPLICATIONS OF CHECKING STRONG CONNECTEDNESS

- Useful as a sanity check!
- Suppose you want to run an algorithm that requires strong connectedness, and you believe your input graph is strongly connected
- Validate your input by testing whether this is true!
- Subtle, difficult-to-detect bugs often result if such an algorithm is run only on one component of a graph
- [More concrete applications once we generalize and talk about strongly connected components...]

A USEFUL LEMMA

- Lemma: a graph is strongly connected
- iff for any node s,
- all nodes are reachable from s, and s is reachable from all nodes

Proof: (\Rightarrow) Suppose G is strongly connected. Then for all u, v we have $u \dashrightarrow v$. Fix any s. Node s is reachable from all nodes, and vice versa.

(⇐) Suppose some s is reachable from all nodes and vice versa.
For any u, v, we have u→s→v, and v→s→u. So G is strongly conn.



CREATING AN ALGORITHM

- How to use DFS to determine whether
 every node is reachable from a given node s?
- How to use DFS to determine whether s is reachable from every node?

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What if we first **reverse** the direction of every edge?

Then $s \rightarrow v$ in this new graph IFF

 $v \rightarrow s$ in the original graph

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DFS from *s* and see if

DFS from s

THE ALGORITHM

- IsStronglyConnected($G = \{V, E\}$) where $V = v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$
 - $(colour, d, f) \coloneqq DFSVisit(v_1, G)$
 - for $i \coloneqq 1 \dots n$
 - if $colour[v_i] \neq black$ then return false
 - Construct graph *H* by **reversing** all edges in *G*
 - $(colour, d, f) \coloneqq DFSVisit(v_1, H)$
 - for $i \coloneqq 1 \dots n$
 - if $colour[v_i] \neq black$ then return false
 - return *true*

Hows

EXAMPLE EXECUTION 1



EXAMPLE EXECUTION 1



EXAMPLE EXECUTION 2

























RUNTIME COMPLEXITY FOR ADJACENCY LIST REPRESENTATION?

- IsStronglyConnected($G = \{V, E\}$) where $V = v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$
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O(n+m)